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SCENE OF THE CRIME



Sgt. Greg Francis of the Joplin Police Department maintains a barrier yesterday morning at Fastrip, where Lucinda Adams was killed.

Fastrip worker killed in attack

Homicide occurs near campus

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Early yesterday, a Missouri Southern student called Joplin police to the scene of a homicide only a few yards from campus. Police found Lucinda J. Adams, 38, dead in an office area of the Fastrip store, 1204 N. Duquesne. She apparently died from a gunshot wound to the heart around 2 a.m.

Kern Sorrell, a junior physical education major, said he notified authorities at 3:11 a.m. after failing to find a clerk on duty at the store. "I was the one to call the police, and I waited on them to arrive," he told *The Chart*. "But other than that, I feel it would be best not to elaborate at this time."

He said Joplin police had asked him not to talk about the incident.

Police reports indicate robbery as the probable motive, but nothing could be confirmed by press time.

Some students living in the College residence halls nearby expressed concerns for their personal safety.

"What if it was someone who was crazy?" asked Rodney Moore, a sophomore graphics arts major who lives in Apt. G. "They could have gone on a shooting rampage."

"You hear about things like this on other college campuses, but you just don't think about it happening here."

Theresa Bledsoe, also a resident of Apt. G, said living so close to the scene of a violent crime disturbed her.

"If any of my roommates or I want to walk over to the Fastrip, we won't go alone," the junior business major said. "I don't foresee any of us walking over there by ourselves like we have done in the past."

Even with the store's close proximity to the College, Bill Boyer, chief of campus security, said the incident was not a threat to students in the residence halls. However, security will be stepped up, he said.

"We are planning to concentrate on the dorms for the next few days," he said. "We will try to have a presence in and around the buildings."

According to Tony Grantham, vice president of Fastrip's parent company, Grace Engineering Corporation, Adams had only worked at the store four or five weeks.

"She seemed like a good employee," he said. "But I really had not had enough time to know a whole lot about her."

Fastrip re-opened for business about 11:30 a.m. yesterday.

Project starts to move ahead

Arena will need public funding

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Long-range plans for a proposed 9,000-seat multipurpose arena at Missouri Southern were unveiled last Thursday.

The building, along with an adjacent physical education facility, would be located at Newman and Duquesne Roads, north of Hughes Stadium.

Ed Wimmer, of Linscott Haylett Wimmer & Wheat, a Kansas City architectural firm, explained the facility's design and capabilities to members of the multipurpose arena steering committee.

He said the arena, estimated to cost approximately \$15-\$20 million, was the right size for the area.

"The cost of a facility such as this is driven by the number of seats," Wimmer said. "Once you drop below a certain number it is virtually impossible to attract road shows; something the committee has indicated they have envisioned for the arena."

The building would be made of brick to blend in with the College, Wimmer said.

"We decided it should look like Missouri Southern," he said. "But it also should have a look of its own so the general public will identify with it as well."

Access to the building at the concourse level would be at its four corners, with the arena floor below. According to Wimmer, the floor would be approximately the same elevation as Hughes Stadium's playing field.

The first seven rows of seats would be retractable, allowing various activities in the arena. Seating could be arranged to hold an NHL-size ice rink, a three-ring circus, or banquet facilities for up to 960 people.

The physical education facility would provide additional practice space for Southern's sports programs. It would include a multiple-use floor for basketball and volleyball, as well as a batting cage and an optional six-lane running track. The facility would cost an additional \$2.3-\$5.3 million.

"Now is the time the finance subcommittee rolls up its sleeves and goes to work," Wimmer said. "They must

consider the economic atmosphere, both in the country and the region. This won't be an easy task."

Pete Ramsour, chairman of the steering committee, told *The Chart* the subcommittee had only begun to explore the financial possibilities.

According to Ramsour, the arena will need public funds.

"We could see a county-wide vote on some sort of a sales tax increase or a bond issue," he said. "I don't think we can totally fund this without some sort of public support."

It would not be necessary to raise all of the money before construction is started, according to Ramsour.

He said funding for the physical education facility was being approached somewhat differently.

"It is completely a student-use facility," Ramsour said. "I would hope we would have a chance to get state funding, just as if we were building a biology lab."

"This thing is as much for the community as it is for the students at Southern," he said. "The possibilities are almost endless with what we

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Schools raising funds on behalf of 'B'

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

[This is the sixth in a series of stories about Proposition B, leading up to the Nov. 5 election. Next week's story will focus on local and area residents working for the measure's passage.]

Missourians for Quality Education has raised nearly half of its \$1.67 million goal to finance support for Proposition B, and state colleges are kicking in.

"We are right on schedule," said Margo Carlock, communications director for MQE. "We have raised about \$800,000 so far."

Missouri Western State College has raised \$21,000 to provide information on the Nov. 5 ballot item.

"Citizens for Missouri Western, a committee of citizens from our service area, has been a big help in this," said Dr. Janet Murphy, college president.

According to Western's Steve Huff, administrative associate to the executive vice president, more money is left to be raised.

"We're pleased with that [\$21,000] and would like to raise it up to \$25,000," he said.

Central Missouri State University also has a monetary goal to aid efforts on behalf of Proposition B. It would like to raise \$13,800 from con-



tributors above and beyond any direct requests made by MQE.

"So far, we have approximately \$4,500 of our goal in-house," said Dan Curtis, CMSU campus coordinator for CMSU B fundraising. "I am definitely confident at this point that we will reach our goal."

Curtis told *The Chart* CMSU regularly forwards funds to MQE for use in the campaign.

"We funnel them money every week or so," he said. "Each Friday, we either send them what we have or, if we reach \$1,000 before then, we send it along right away."

While other colleges are raising funds and forwarding a portion to MQE, Southern apparently is not.

"There are statewide goals, but as far as institutional goals, no we haven't set any dollar amounts that we are trying to raise," said Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president.

"This is being handled through MQE. They are the ones soliciting. The College itself is not soliciting direct contributions."

were worked out with the individual institutions," she said.

Most of the contributions to MQE and the colleges have come from solicitations and direct mailings.

"Our major donations come from large contributions made by individuals," said CMSU's Curtis. "The usual rule of thumb is that 20 percent of the donors provide 80 percent of the donations. We are finding that to be the case."

According to Huff, much of the money raised by Western came from outside the campus borders.

"The lion's share was raised off campus," he said. "We did some face-to-face solicitations."

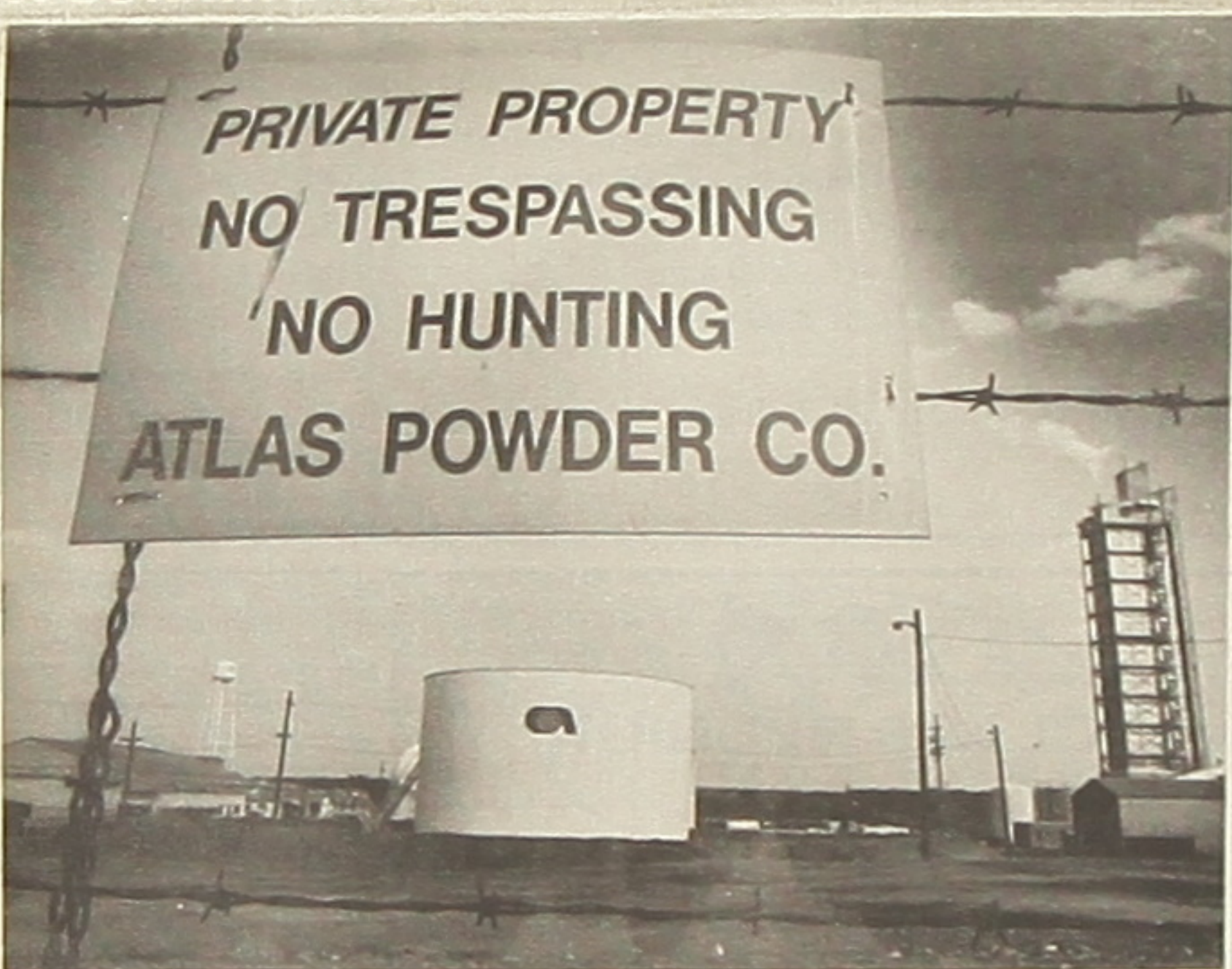
Huff also said fundraising will reach its peak as the election nears.

"For the most part, we are pretty much done," he said. "We've about completed it; there's maybe a handful more calls to make."

While Southern is not presently raising money for Proposition B, College President Julio Leon said that is a possibility.

"There are no efforts at this time," he said. "We are allowing MQE to reach faculty who may wish to contribute to the overall campaign, but it is quite possible that we will get a call for a step-up in efforts to obtain financial support."

A BURNING ISSUE



The Atlas Powder Company wants to build a hazardous waste storage facility and incinerator to stop its open-air burning. The plan has met with much controversy in Joplin. (See related story, page 8.)

Atlas alleviates College's concerns

Tiede 'satisfied' with explanations regarding safety

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Although Missouri Southern is only 3.4 miles from the proposed Atlas hazardous waste storage and incinerator site, College officials do not foresee much negative impact.

Jerry Fisher, Atlas plant manager, said the incinerator being developed will stop the open-air burning of "small ammunitions."

Currently, Atlas uses an open-air burn method to dispose of its waste.

Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, said the proposed incinerator and disposal of this waste will not affect student safety.

"I don't think, and again this is my opinion," Tiede said, "that the risks are as great as they are now [with the open-air burning]."

However, this was not always the opinion of the administration. In a January 1990 letter to Jan

Skouby of the Department of Natural Resources waste management program, Tiede expressed concern about the proximity of the proposed incinerator to the College.

The letter said, "Although I am sure all possible care is being taken in preparation of the design, if there is even the remotest possibility that an uncontrolled explosion could take place, the Department needs to be aware of the proximity of the College to the proposed site."

Tiede said he did not receive any official response from the DNR.

"I didn't ask for a response," he said. "It was basically an advisory letter, a 'Here we are in relation to the site' type of letter."

Tiede said he became reassured of student safety after he and Bob Beeler, director of the Southern physical plant, met with Fisher.

During that meeting, Tiede said Fisher reduced the College's concerns for student safety.

"Basically, he explained to us the operation," Tiede said, "to alleviate some of our fears in regards to safety."

Tiede said that while a majority of the College's concerns regarding the incinerator have been resolved,

there still may be some reservations.

"I wouldn't say you are ever 100 percent certain anyway," he said. "So, I guess to some degree you would always have a little bit of uncertainty."

"But after visiting with [Fisher] and after having apprised the DNR with them in effect de facto saying 'No problems', I think we are as satisfied as we can be given the situation."

Tiede does not think the increased amount of waste being transported to the plant via area highways will affect commuting students.

"I'm not sure where all of the routes are," he said. "But when I asked Mr. Fisher if any of them would come by the College, he said no, that they had designated routes which would keep them outside the population area."

According to Jim Mueller, a member of Citizens to Save Our Environment and Carthage Concerned Citizens, if the incinerator is put into action, 15 million pounds of waste will be disposed of at the facility.

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College gives 'Chart' international names

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

After an apparent "miscommunication" between *The Chart* and College officials, Missouri Southern has agreed to provide the newspaper with directory information on international students.

A story in the Sept. 19 issue of *The Chart* reported the refusal of the College to release names of international students as possible authors of columns for the paper's Global Viewpoint page.

This week, at the request of Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, and Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs, Southern's computer center provided *The Chart* with a directory of students. The list included students' country of origin.

"We always want to make available directory information," Brown said. "We are, of course, governed by law in what we can and cannot release."

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, more commonly known as The Buckley Amendment, governs such disclosures.

According to Brown, Southern is able and willing to divulge to the media and interested parties information considered directory in nature.

The College catalog lists these items as name, date and place of birth, major, participation in activities and sports, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and most recent previous institution attended.

Brown said the previous refusal on

the part of Southern to accommodate *The Chart's* request was based on practical application of College policy.

"We want to be as fair and consistent as we can for everyone [requesting student information]," he said. "The problem we run into is that we get lots of requests for us to sort students into subsets. If we asked the computer center to produce a list of just those people, then we would have to do that for everyone."

A list of students with an international tie only, containing information similar to that sought by the paper, is unavailable because it goes beyond directory information, Brown said.

"That list is an ad-hoc type of thing," he said. "It includes some things that I cannot release."

Previously, Ann Allman, international student adviser, told a *Chart* reporter she was unable to release information on international students under provisions of "immigration law."

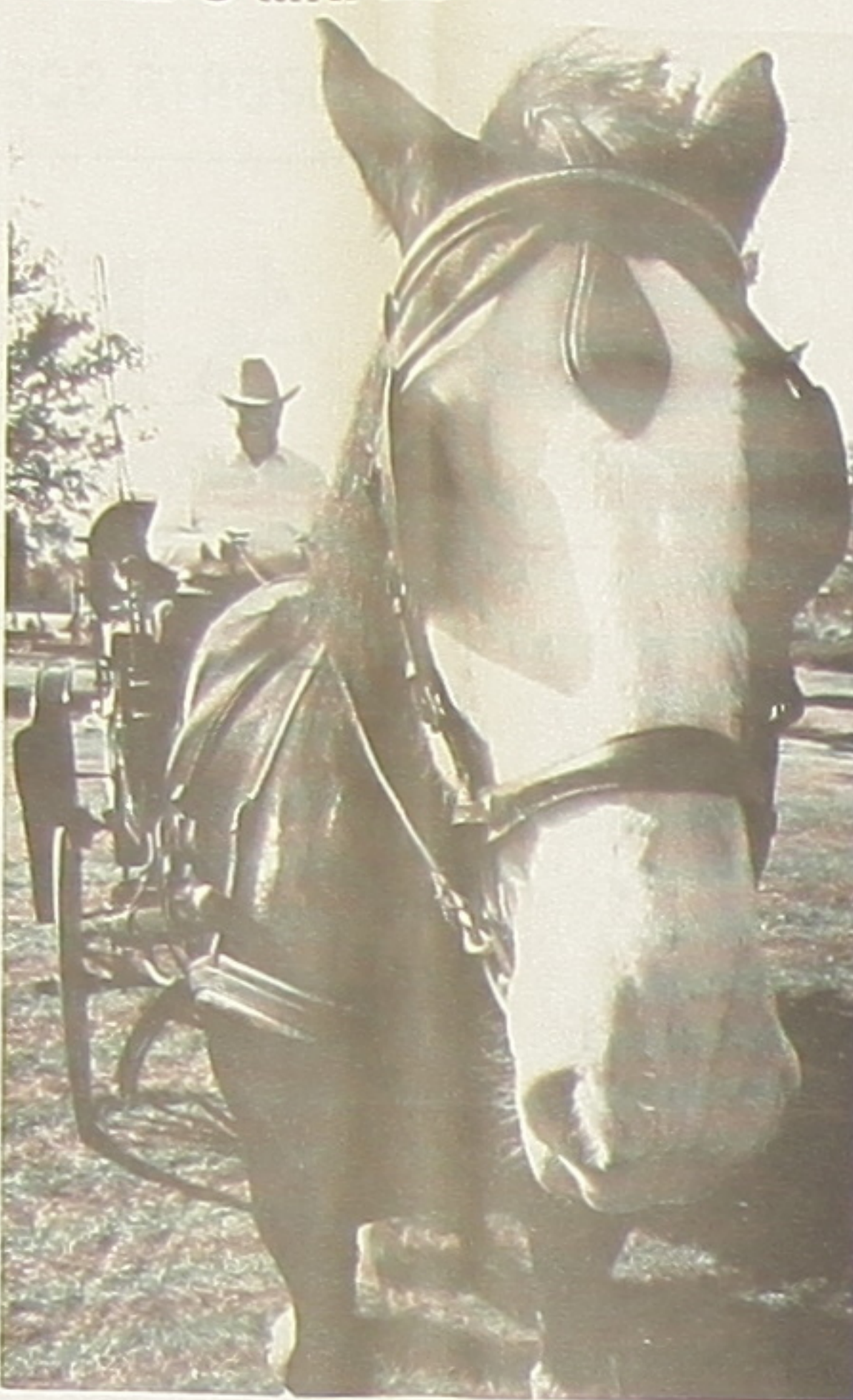
Brown, however, said he has been unable to substantiate that claim.

"If there is such a rule, I am unaware of it," he said. "We have investigated this thoroughly, and I have not found anything to change my opinion that we can release the directory information on foreign nationals as well as U.S. citizens."

"That is not my area of expertise, but no, I have not located such a rule."

Brown personally delivered the printout to *The Chart* Tuesday.

HERE'S MR. ED



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Robert Binns of The Carriage Trade was on campus Sunday to give rides to fourth-, fifth-, and sixth-grade students visiting the College for the Hammons Enhancement Scholarship Program kick-off.

Senate gives \$1,000 to WISE after debate

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

At its first official meeting of the semester, the Student Senate appropriated \$1,000 last night.

Having begun with a treasury balance of \$12,080, the Senate approved a funding request made by World Issues for Study by Educators. Although the finance committee recommended \$878.14, debate on the issue led to amending its proposal.

According to Lory St. Clair, Senate treasurer, the finance committee recommended the reduced amount after it faced several questions in the WISE appropriation request.

St. Clair questioned the necessity of the full amount, since WISE has a current balance of \$672.76.

Vicki Wade, WISE president, said the club has other plans for that money.

"We are saving the balance for a \$200 scholarship that we give out every year," Wade said. "We also use that money to pay for transportation to Kansas City and various seminars."

Wade said WISE takes two trips to Kansas City during the year. David Swenson, senior senator, moved to give \$1,000 to WISE "because of the other purposes they have for their treasury balance." A Senate majority approved the motion.

In other new business, the Senate approved a new club's constitution. Rotaract is a youth service-oriented branch of Rotary Club International.

Also, a first reading was conducted for the Student Nurses Association's request for \$1,000. SNA plans to use the funds to attend a state convention at the Lake of the Ozarks Oct. 10-13.

The Senate will decide whether to approve the appropriation request during next week's meeting.

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can do with the building."

College President Julio Leon said some might think the arena is too much for a college where rumblings of scaling back are being heard.

"The process of us getting smaller and better is a temporary situation," he said. "We will be getting ready for a stage of strong growth."

"If you can, visualize an institution that will become a university with graduate programs. We could be an institution of 10,000-12,000."

Leon said the arena's \$20 million price tag might not be as outrageous

as some might claim.

"It may seem out of context in the present situation," he said. "But if you stretch your mind a little bit, maybe \$20 million will seem like a bargain."

Ramsour said he also believed the economic climate would play a role in the committee's approach in gaining the financial backing needed for the project.

"It is a delicate situation," he said. "But it is not any more than a hurdle for us to get by."

SOUTHERN'S HOMECOMING '91 CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



MONDAY OCT. 7, AT 7:30 p.m.
TUESDAY OCT. 8, AT 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY OCT. 10, AT 8: p.m.
FRIDAY OCT. 11, AT 10:40 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.
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SATURDAY OCT. 12, AT 10:00 a.m.
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BLOWIN' IN THE WIND



Typhane Colbert, 3, creates bubbles Sunday afternoon near the Biology Pond. Her aunt, Melissa Walker, was participating in a get-acquainted session for the Hammons Enhancement Scholarship Program, which was launched that day. The program benefits elementary students.

CHRIS COX/The Chart

Friends, instructors remember Scott Ryan

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Students and faculty at Missouri Southern mourned the death of Scott Ryan last week. Ryan, a senior English major, was found dead in a Kansas City motel room on Wednesday, Sept. 25. The Jackson County medical examiner's office ruled the death a suicide.

A 1988 graduate of Nevada High School, Ryan transferred to Southern from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He was listed on Southern's dean's list, and was on the na-

tional dean's list two years.

Ryan, 21, also had been a member of the debate squad.

"He was very complex," said Paul Hood, senior English major and a childhood friend of Ryan's. "He was also philosophical; he was concerned with why things were the way they were. He thought a lot about things."

"He would sit for an hour talking about philosophical issues," said Dr. Barry Brown, assistant professor of philosophy. "He thought a lot about those issues."

Ryan was elected president of Sigma Tau Delta last semester.

"He was very bright," said Dr. Doris Walters, adviser of the honorary society. "He had a wonderful probing and questioning mind."

Dr. Art Saltzman, associate professor of English, said one instance always would remain in his memory.

"He would sit in the back of the class and have this puzzled, quizzical expression on his face," Saltzman said. "I took it to mean he just wasn't taking for granted anything I said."

Ryan was not always so serious. "He had a wonderful sense of humor," Walters said.

"He had a real dryness about his

sense of humor," Saltzman said. "He delighted in putting people on."

One of Ryan's pastimes included writing short stories.

"He was always writing," Hood said. "He had started a number of stories."

"He was very insistent and decisive about things," Saltzman said. "He would turn a brief assignment into a 20-page dissertation."

"He was a superb writer," Walters said. "Every piece of writing he did showed his gift of writing. He was writing a journal for my class, and each entry was a little gem."

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Team concludes evaluation visit

Officials cite strengths, weaknesses

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Thirteen evaluators from the state's public schools and colleges were on campus last week to examine Missouri Southern's teacher education program.

According to Dr. Edward Merryman, dean of the school of education and psychology, the accreditation team represented the Missouri department of elementary and secondary education.

"Their main purpose was to substantiate what we had written in the institutional report," Merryman said. "We document everything we do. While they were here, the team audited 70 or more exhibits."

He said the evaluators also interviewed faculty connected to the teacher education program "to see whether or not we can articulate what we do in our program."

Although the official accreditation report will not be received for six to eight weeks, Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs, believes it will be favorable.

"I expect our program will continue as it always has, certifying teachers," he said. "That's the good news. That's what we wanted to hear."

Overall, Merryman also believes the College fared well.

"I felt that during the process there were many positive comments made by the accreditors. There were

some criticisms, too," he said.

They noted the early childhood program as being well developed and gave high marks to the English education program, as well as the speech/theatre education program.

Merryman said the group was critical concerning development of the "add-on" certification programs.

"Anything that's causing us a problem, we can correct," he said. "We can and will take care of the criticisms they pointed out to me."

After the first of the year, the report will go before the state board of education, which then will vote whether to re-accredit Southern's program.

According to Merryman, the report is not necessarily the final word.

"We can make the corrections right away, and we will submit those quickly," he said. "Also, if we don't agree with the report, we can write a rebuttal."

Although this wave of evaluations has passed, the College is not out from under the microscope yet. A team from the National Council of Accreditation for Teacher Education will arrive at Southern Oct. 27.

Even with Merryman's confidence of the state evaluation's outcome, NCATE's visit leaves much preparation to be done.

"We were working up to the last minute—fine tuning things—before the state team arrived," he said. "You can never feel 100 percent prepared. There is always that uneasiness."

Some mid-terms on schedule

Mid-term classes most likely will face a drastic decrease of 75 percent this semester, leaving only the basics.

Recent budget cuts in the state led to the streamlining of the mid-term class schedule at Missouri Southern.

"We're going to have a pretty limited slate," said Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs.

Though exact figures will not be available until the number of students enrolling in the classes is known, the cut will save Missouri Southern an estimated \$15,000.

Brown, Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, and College deans met last week under the direction of College President Julio Leon to dis-

cuss class offerings.

Brown said classes which may be offered include basic courses in history, English literature, psychology, and military science.

"That's the kind of offering that will help some of our students,"

Enrollment for mid-term classes begins Monday and continues until Friday, Oct. 11 in the registrar's office and counseling center. Classes will begin Monday, Oct. 14.

In light of the budget cuts, Brown is pleased Southern will be able to offer any mid-terms at all. But he also said the College is looking forward to a time when the state budget will allow it to offer the normal slate of mid-terms.

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Scott Cragin, business administration instructor, said it will have a "minimum impact" on Southern.

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On a Fox hunt

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Good question. Sorry Cablecom, but inconvenience is not an excuse.

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According to Cablecom, it would cost \$120,000 to provide the network to Joplin.

The company says it would have to pass that cost on to subscribers. The cost to viewers, however, would amount to only \$1 a month. That's peanuts.

Also, Cablecom insists there is limited demand in Joplin and that Fox is a part-time network, which is not good for its customers.

We contest this. Inferior and incomplete service is never good for customers. The only thing limited is our cable service.

According to Cablecom, it carries its maximum number of channels and cannot add any more. It likewise claims it cannot bump any channels.

We say Cablecom can and should do anything it has to do to meet the needs of its audience. If we lose a few "Pray TV" channels along the way, so be it.

Fox is growing and arguably has some of the best programming available. "Beverly Hills 90210," for instance, is one of the most popular programs with young people. The Emmy Awards presentation was carried on Fox this year, but Joplin missed out.

True, another station airs "Married with Children" and "The Simpsons" on a delayed basis, but this simply underscores the demand for Fox programming.

While the big three networks grow stale and complacent, Fox targets the younger, more upwardly mobile demographic groups with innovative concepts and story lines.

Viewers choose cable television to obtain variety. Cablecom sees the addition as an expense and not an investment.

Fox will continue to grow, and so will its influence on the public. It will continue to intrigue and entice. Yet Joplin is isolated from most of its fare.

Why, Cablecom, why?

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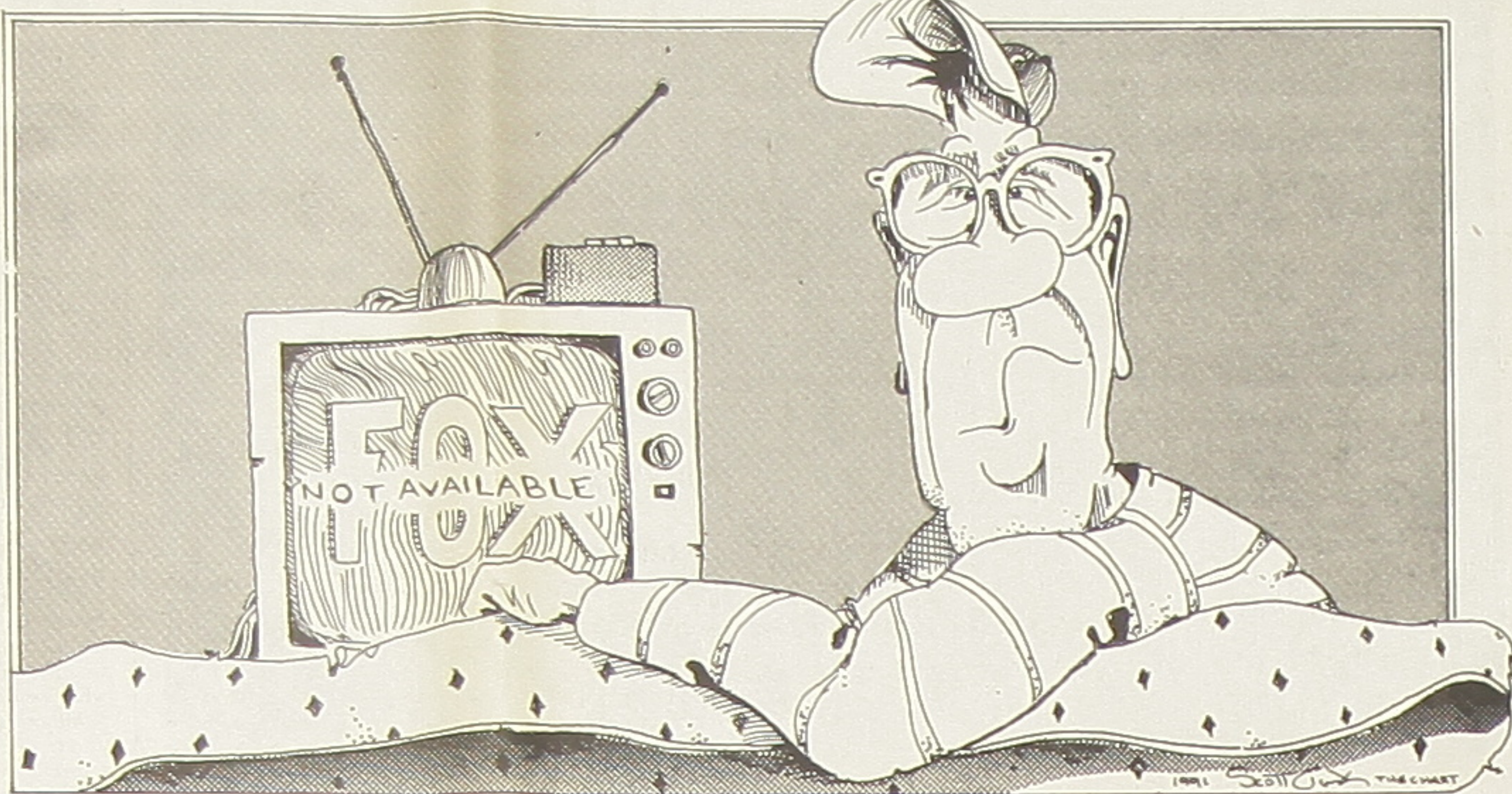
Thank-you.

A little cooperation was all we requested, and it seems Southern's administration has come around.

Last week, a *Chart* editor spoke with College administrators in detail about our request for information on international students. Subsequently, both parties agreed a misunderstanding had occurred.

The College apparently misunderstood our request, and we its actions.

Monday, Dr. Robert Brown spoke again with *The Chart*, and later personally delivered to our office a printout of all Missouri Southern students. This list included students' country of origin. He has told *The Chart* he supports our need to know and will gladly provide any information he is allowed to under the law. For this we are grateful.



Foreign language hour change irritating

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Its international mission is one of the greatest advantages Missouri Southern now has over other colleges and universities.

Southern's progress with its foreign language program is especially impressive. However, some changes in the foreign language program are not quite as laudable as others. For instance, the change in the number of credit hours of beginning classes is not necessarily a positive one.

Now, all beginning foreign language classes have been transformed from five-hour courses to three-hour ones. Students have had the opportunity to see the effect of this action, and enough time has passed to fairly comment on the switch. Basically, it stinks.

As a third-semester Spanish student, I would have faced a three-hour course whether the beginning courses had changed or not. However, the difficulty of having the class only on Tuesdays and Thursdays is becoming apparent with the grades I am receiving.



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I am aware of several classmates having the same problem.

If students who already have completed 10 hours of a foreign language are having trouble adjusting to the switch, how can beginners be expected to learn a language sufficiently in three hours a week?

We certainly did not learn English by speaking it three hours a week. Yes, students are supposed to put in nearly two hours of study for every hour of class, but we did not learn English in nine hours a week either.

We learned our native language by hearing it daily and constantly trying to speak it, though sometimes fumblingly, all day long and every day of the week.

Another problem with a three-hour class is the tendency to fall behind in a class when you know you'll have a free day between classes to do homework. With an everyday class, there is no such opportunity. Doing homework for a five-hour class becomes almost ritualistic.

So why were the number of hours for those classes changed? One of the reasons is that students are more likely to enroll in a three-hour class than in a five-hour one.

Fine and dandy. But if people have trouble learning the language because they do not hear it enough, what good are they really doing by taking the abbreviated form of the class?

Sure, it looks good on a resume, but a class title will not benefit anyone when confronted with an actual speaking situation. A person simply cannot say, "Hold that thought while I go and get my dictionary."

In real situations, running for the dictionary is out of the question. You have to sit down and try to talk it out with the other person, even if it means fumbling a bit. Taking it slow and easy is the best route. So if a person has to take it slow and easy later, why can't he or she now?

I realize today is a fast-service society: fast-food, drive-up grocery stores, among other things. But some things can never be rushed. The thought of simply walking up to the foreign language counter and ordering Russian to go and a little Arabic on the side is ridiculous.

Maybe some people consider me to be behind the times on this subject. However, sometimes it seems they are looking too deeply into the process without even glancing at the final product.

Really, what is the point in taking a class when most of the people in it will never receive enough exposure to the information given to truly understand the material?

Missouri graduates lack judgement skills

By DR. ROBERT BROWN
VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Maturity and good judgement have always been qualities which were considered to be hallmarks of the educated, considerate, and reflective person. Maturity, in the context of being fully developed in the intellectual sense, and judgement in the realm of being able to form thoughtful opinions and compare and decide issues with understanding and insight, are qualities which are essential to successful living by any measure.

Early this year, I was privileged to hear a presentation by the chief executive officer of a large international corporation based in our state. This presentation was made before a group of business leaders who had undertaken an examination of higher education in Missouri. The corporate CEO was vibrant and multidimensional in his thinking and speaking, and it was obvious that this busy and productive person has devoted considerable time and effort to the preparation of his remarks. Many topics were covered, but one theme in particular was



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striking to me.

Each year his company hires a significant number of new college graduates in a wide variety of fields. Since the company is based in Missouri, they attempt to hire graduates of Missouri institutions, although the company has access to and does hire from the national job market. The business leader said graduates of the state colleges and universities of Missouri are technically proficient persons, for the most part. That is, the accountants know their work well, the engineers and science graduates understand the technology, the computer programmers are efficient, and the writers use the language correctly in the technical and structural sense. Still, there are some deficiencies in many Missouri college graduates, and the company frequently finds it necessary to go to the national market to find these qualities.

Sadly, the attributes which seem by the experience of this person to be most lacking in our graduates are maturity and judgement. Missouri college graduates tend to be provincial in their thinking, and bound unduly by time and place. They often have difficulty working in groups to determine consensus solutions to problems of mutual concern. They do not communicate well, and have difficulty dealing with complex

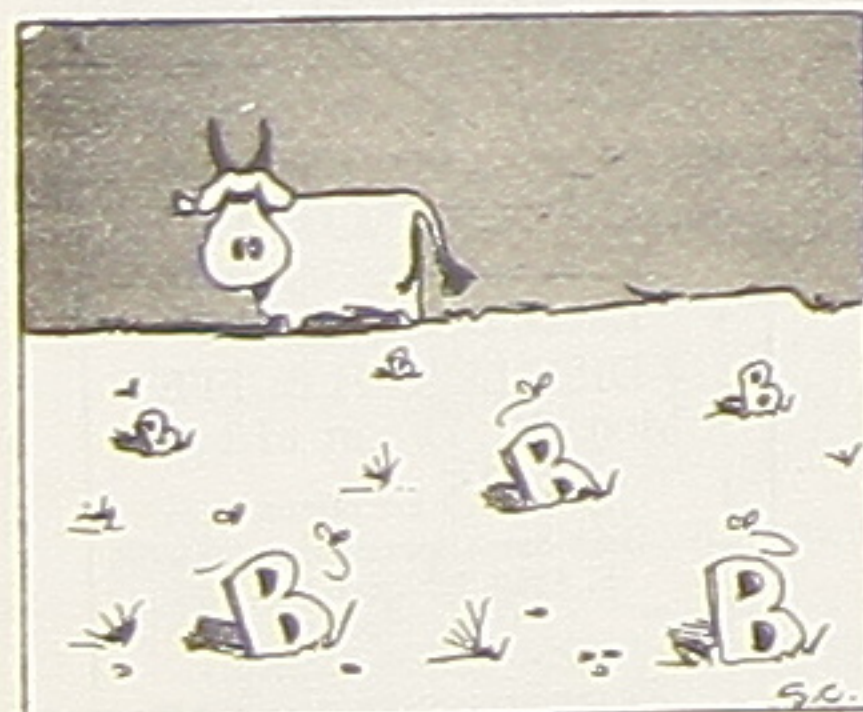
and seemingly conflicting opinions and points of view. They seem to have difficulty in empathizing with others, and in being able to foresee the ramifications and consequences of their words and actions.

The good news is that we at Southern are very fortunate indeed to have a faculty that is devoted to classroom teaching and the nurturing of our student body. We also have in place a core curriculum which addresses many of these concerns. We are very far ahead in the preparation of our students for the world beyond the campus by virtue of this extensive core, the writing program, assessment of outcomes, and the internationalization of the campus that is ongoing. Our faculty has tried to create an environment that accommodates the development of the total individual.

Still, I would make this appeal to all of you. Before you write or speak or decide, take some time to be reflective. Always try to consider what the full consequences of your actions are likely to be, not just for the immediate present, but for the near-term and long-term future. Consider the implications of those decisions, not only for yourself, but for all those in the community with which you are associated, and for all those beyond the campus or Missouri or even the United States. Be done with the superficial and shallow, and concentrate on preparation for a future in which you continue to develop the qualities of maturity and good judgement.

YOUR
LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearn Hall 117 by noon Monday for that week's edition. All letters must be printed or typed, and signed. Letters of less than 300 words in length receive priority consideration.



Propaganda 'BS' not the solution

I may stand alone, but I will be bold enough to say that Proposition "B" (or Propaganda "BS") should not be passed. MSSC students and all Missouri residents should see that the bill is defeated. Elementary, secondary, and college educational communities are in such a battle for further funding that they overlook and, in many cases, ignore the grievous aspects of the bill. They choose detriment over deficit. In truth, Proposition "B" is a step toward both.

The need for some kind of legislation did not arise overnight. Although Missouri must have a balanced budget, that does not mean it will have one that is well-budgeted. Proposition "B" will not cure that and related problems. I would call the bill Placebo "B." Missouri history, tax increases in 1963 and 1971, show that, at best, this bill will be good for eight to 10 years before more money will be needed. Where does it stop? It doesn't. The tax-and-spend mentality of politicians will lead to stretching the limits on the revenue created by the bill until 1999 when we will face another referendum. Also, the bill will not stop the state from cutting existing funding. Indeed, this earmarked-for-education revenue will be an incentive to divert present funds to other problem areas in the state budget. Rather than facing the problems that brought the state to Proposition "B," the political elite can hide

behind new revenue.

There is little opposition to the reforms in the bill, these reforms being the only reason the Governor chose to support it. However, unchecked they will result in creating a greater financial burden on the taxpayer. The Coordinating Board for Higher Education is given the task of developing a "comprehensive plan detailing the implementation of the new or enhanced missions of the institutions." In layman's terms, this means new or enlarged programs demanding more attention and more money. At what point does a quality education become a frivolous education? It started before and continues with Proposition "B."

If the bill fails, we may face tuition increases. We may face eliminated programs. Enduring this, we may hope that the state will realize its mismanagement. Hopefully colleges will return to being liberal arts institutions and move away from instituting the merely liberal, frivolous, and "politically correct" expenditures not necessary for a quality education. Voting against Proposition "B" will be a vote for better government and a vote for better accountability of your tuition dollars in education quality.

Ron Leonard
Freshman Education Major

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Regional Pacemaker Award (1982, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991)

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Hussein isolates himself from UN, America

Iraqi people suffer under UN sanctions

THE ECONOMIST ▶

Whenever the United Nations tries to relieve the sufferings of the Iraqi people, Saddam Hussein does something to make himself unpopular all over again. At the start of this week, there was a chance the Security Council would, for humanitarian reasons, open a hole in the wall of economic sanctions it has erected around Iraq. By the middle of the week, American Stealth bombers and F-15 fighters were once again on alert for action in the Persian Gulf. Inimitably, Hussein himself is mostly to blame for this reversal.

Iraq has been under sanctions for more than a year. If America and Britain have their way (and, as veto-holding members of the Security Council, they surely will) the sanctions will continue. Their plan, in a nutshell, is to impoverish and humiliate Iraq until it rids itself of Hussein. The hard part will be keeping western public opinion behind sanctions once immense and visible

suffering spreads among ordinary Iraqis. That is why, on Aug. 15, the Security Council adopted Resolution 706.

This resolution was intended to be an ingenious way to relieve the suffering of Iraq's people without giving any comfort to Hussein himself. Under it, Iraq would be allowed to export \$1.6 billion worth of oil, provided the sale was supervised by the UN and the money paid into an escrow account. After deductions for war reparations, the balance would be used to buy food and humanitar-

sum ought to be raised in order to avert widespread distress. The Council was expected to confirm the original amount this week.

While Perez de Cuellar has been alerting the world to the danger of hunger and disease in Iraq, Hussein, perversely, has been baring the teeth he was supposed to have lost in the Gulf war. On Sept. 13, he ruled out the possibility of western-style democracy in Iraq and sacked Saoudun Hammadi, the relatively decent prime minister he had appointed to usher in reforms after the war. This upset

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ian supplies, which would then be distributed inside Iraq under international supervision.

Iraq refused to co-operate, ostensibly because the arrangement would make a nonsense of its sovereignty. In the view of a lot of UN officials, however, Hussein's real objection was that the amount of oil he would be allowed to export was too small. Javier Perez de Cuellar, the UN secretary-general, told the Security Council at the beginning of September that the

Iraq's Kurds, whose leaders have been trying for several months to negotiate an autonomy agreement with Hussein. Political reform was one of their main demands.

Jalal Talabani, the head of one of the two main Kurdish groups in Iraq, said that Hussein had meanwhile positioned more than 100,000 troops, hundreds of tanks and large quantities of chemical weapons around the oil city of Kirkuk. From there, Mr. Talabani says, the Iraqis have been

harassing the Kurdish "safe haven" in Northern Iraq, and preventing the return of refugees.

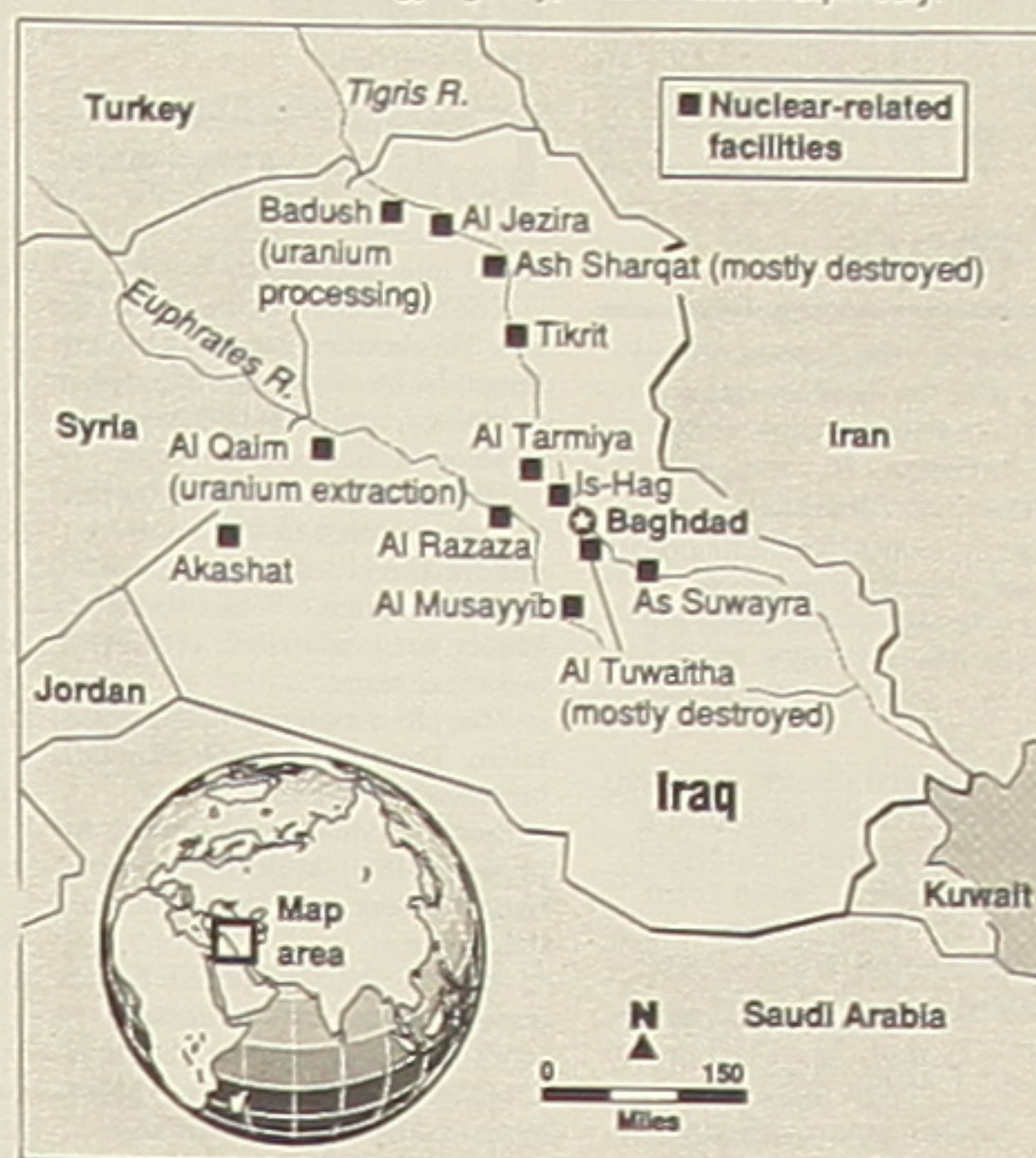
This was enough on its own to suggest an unwelcome resurgence of self-confidence on Hussein's part. But there is more. Last week a team of UN inspectors flew home from Baghdad, complaining they had been prevented from using their own helicopters to swoop unannounced on suspected Iraqi weapons sites. Their right to do so, without any interference from the Iraqi authorities, is enshrined in Resolution 707, which the Security Council adopted unanimously on the day it adopted 706.

The Iraqis again refused to comply, though they hinted at flexibility. The flights might be allowed, they said, if Iraqis could board the aircraft, if no aerial photographs were taken, and if certain parts of Baghdad (where Mr. Hussein has his hideaways) were declared off-limits. The American answer to this, on Sept. 18, was noisy preparation for renewed military action. American aircraft in the region were put on alert, and reinforcements ordered to fly to Saudi Arabia.

Although Hussein's confidence appears to be growing, he is in no state to fight another war. But this week's spat is unlikely to be the last in his struggle to surmount the UN's sanctions and cling to power. Meanwhile, the Iraqi people go hungry.

Iraq's nuclear sites

Remaining nuclear facilities since the Gulf war, based on report by International Atomic Energy Agency, which visited Iraq in July.



SOURCE: Center for Defense Information, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington Post



Soybean farmers enter Moscow

Association opens promotional office within Soviet capital

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The American Soybean Association (ASA) is moving to take advantage of new markets provided by the break-up of the Soviet Union.

According to the Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council, Missouri soybean farmers will join farmers from 14 other states to finance the creation of a technical assistance and soybean promotion office in Moscow.

These states include Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Wisconsin, Ohio, Oklahoma, and South Carolina.

Gary Riedel, ASA president, said \$155,000 has been committed by the 15 states to fund the office.

"The office will enable us to help others and to expand profits here at home," Riedel said. "The Soviet people will remember who was there when they needed help."

James Thompson, ASA industry information editor, said an office in

Moscow will help speed communication between the association and officials in the USSR. Operations in the Soviet Union currently are supervised out of ASA's Vienna office.

"Sometimes it takes two days just to get traveling papers from Austria into the Soviet Union," he said. "We feel that, working out of Moscow, things would be a lot easier. We would be where this enormous market is instead of [having to] travel in once a month."

Thompson said the ASA has been involved in development and promotion in the USSR since 1985.

According to David Asbridge, director of planning and development for ASA, the Soviet Union imported 1.69 million metric tons of soybean meal from the U.S. from Oct. 1, 1990, to Sept. 12, 1991, up from 1.37 million tons the year before.

"The USSR is the single largest purchaser of soybean meal from the U.S.," Asbridge said.

"They use the soybean meal for rations for livestock, especially hogs and poultry," Thompson said. "It's a protein component of the rations."

According to Mike Phillips, ASA vice president for research and promotion, the Soviets are expecting a shortfall in protein for livestock feed of 10-15 million tons in the next year.

"As [the Soviets] move to increase imports of protein, we want to be sure it'll be soybeans from the U.S.," Phillips said.

Soybean farmers in Missouri will benefit significantly from increased sales to the Soviet Union, according to Thompson.

"Missouri is the fourth-largest soybean-producing state in the United States," he said.

According to Thompson, the Soviet market could take years to develop, but the potential market is well worth the wait.

"We're not expecting overnight results, but if the Soviet Union were to bring the quality of its feed rations up to U.S. standards, we could be looking at a 10-million-ton need for soybean-produced protein," Thompson said.

"That number is only a potential figure, but it equals all the soybeans we export today to all countries."

Honduras' 'fascinating world' offers fun, cultural education

By JUDY STILES
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR, MSTV

When people ask me when I went on vacation this summer, they often are surprised to hear that I spent a week in Honduras. The first question is "Why did you go there?" followed by "What was it like?" The answers include the fact that we went there on a scuba-diving vacation, and the finding that there's a fascinating world south of the border in Central America.

The opportunity to travel outside the United States provides many valuable cultural lessons. This is true whether the trip is for pleasure, business, or educational purposes. Honduras is especially interesting, because relatively few Americans travel there.

My husband and I have traveled to Honduras five different times to enjoy the beautiful scuba-diving found in the Honduran Bay Islands. This year, we visited Guanaja, a small island off the northeastern coast. It's an island that offers freedom from ringing telephones, noisy televisions, and cars in traffic. Instead of those distractions of "modern life," visitors are able to relax to the sounds of singing tropical birds and gentle ocean breezes. For scuba-divers, the area offers crystal-blue waters filled with colorful fish and corals (the way the Caribbean "used to be," according to some people).

Although we go to enjoy the sights and to relax, we find that the trip is also an educational experience in many ways. There are chances to explore differences and similarities between cultures in a number of areas of interest. The first thing visitors notice, of course, is the language difference. The ability to communicate even basic information in Spanish helps, from the moment you enter

the country and deal with the officials at the customs and immigration office to the times you try to purchase goods from vendors.

The geography of Honduras is very noticeable as you fly over the country. Ancient volcanic mountains ring the capital city of Tegucigalpa. This leads to an interesting steep landing approach at the airport. The Bay Islands are also old volcanic mountains. The rugged landscape of Guanaja has limited the development of settlements to the shoreline. Residents use boats to travel around the island, since there are no roads for vehicles. While exploring the world offshore, one is able to see underwater signs of lava flows creating huge canyons through the reefs.

The island itself is rich in history. Columbus reportedly stopped on Guanaja in 1502, during one of his trips to the new world. Today, a beach on one side of the island is called "Columbus Beach." The island was eventually settled and ruled by the British, and many islanders hold on to English as their native tongue. In 1859 the Bay Islands were transferred to Honduras.

Today, as part of the Republic of Honduras, islanders take part in the democratic process of electing representatives to government. Honduras, in fact, is one of Central America's longest-lasting democracies. Unlike some of its neighbors, the country has remained stable throughout the recent years. Citizens seem to appreciate close ties to the U.S., with many expressing appreciation for what the U.S. has done to help stabilize politics in the region.

The local economy is tied heavily to natural resources. A lesson in economics and world trade is observed at Bonaca, Guanaja's largest town. The fishing fleet that sets sail from this port feeds not only many in Honduras, but provides seafood for many American restaurants. Because of this tie to international trade, the

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standard of living is higher on the island than on the mainland.

One can't help but notice differences in the everyday way of life when visiting a country such as Honduras. Guards in military uniforms carrying rifles watch over airport visitors, providing an extra sense of security. Most Americans are surprised to find this military presence, but one must realize that the recent instability in the region has led to a need for added security at public places. Most visitors who simply travel through airports to resorts avoid seeing signs of poverty. They may notice that many natives look "poorer" by the way they dress, and they notice that items such as toilet paper and paper towels are missing from airport restrooms. But until one ventures out to meet the "real people" of a country, there's no sense of what life is really like. You could look at the lack of material wealth and think that the people are really in a bad situation.

But, despite being without many of the items we consider modern necessities, many people seem satisfied with the simpler, slower pace of life. For some Americans, it may cause a re-evaluation of the wealth and possessions we do enjoy in this country, and a realization that life does go on without those fancy cars and compact disc players.

Each time we travel to a foreign country to explore the scuba-diving, my husband and I also take the time to find out more about the culture and history of the places we visit. We've been fortunate to explore areas such as Cayman Brac in the British West Indies and Bonaire in the Netherlands Antilles. All of these places offer outstanding opportunities to explore the vast underwater world. They also offer many chances to share and learn about another way of living. The next time you take a vacation, even if it is to another part of the United States, ask yourself what you're getting out of the trip that prepares you for cultural understanding of others.

LURIE'S BUSINESS WORLD



"Congratulations, kids - now that I taught you all my professional know-how, you're on your own."

THE ECONOMIST ▶

The agreement between The United States and what remains of the Soviet Union to stop arming their proteges in Afghanistan by Jan. 1, could make that country's civil war less bloody. But it will return to what it was before the Soviet invasion in 1979: a complex struggle between the Kabul government and myriad opposition groups (moderate and radical, secular and Islamic fundamentalist, Sunni Muslim and Shia), divided among themselves and manipulated by rival sponsors such as Pakistan, Iran, and Saudi Arabia.

The agreement, reached on Sept. 13, by America's Secretary of State, James Baker, and his Soviet counterpart Boris Pankin, may even impede a peace settlement. Opposition par-

ties may resist United Nations pressure to work with President Najibullah to set up a broad-based interim government and organize free elections. They will calculate that the arms cutoff will hurt Najibullah more than it hurts them.

Since Soviet troops left Afghanistan in Feb. 1989, the Afghan army has been sustained by big deliveries of Soviet tanks, aircraft and Scud missiles. It has no alternative supplier, and cannot afford to buy weapons on the open market. The mujaheddin will lose arms worth several hundreds of million of dollars a year from America. But they may make up part of the loss from Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. The Pakistani and Saudi governments say they support the UN's peace efforts, but neither has agreed to stop arming the mujaheddin—and if Pakistan's government did agree, its army would probably take no notice.

Any shift in the balance of power, however, will take time to show. The Afghan army is thought to have enough weapons and ammunition to last for up to two years. Its aircraft, tanks and better organization give it a big military advantage over the undisciplined mujaheddin, who have mainly small arms. To change the balance, the mujaheddin must capture one of the government-controlled cities, such as Kandahar, Ghazni, or Herat. That is unlikely, unless there is a successful coup, a sudden collapse in army morale, or a popular insurrection in the government-controlled cities.

For the moment, Najibullah appears to be in control. The Khad, or secret police, seem loyal. There are no signs of serious desertions from, or dissent within, the army. The in-

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3 TODAY

Votes for the Homecoming final election will be taken from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. today and tomorrow in the east stairwell of the BSC.

Nancy Disharoon will hold a career planning seminar, "Back to Work—Re-entering the Workforce," from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in BSC Room 314.

The Modern Communications Club will discuss spending a summer at Oxford, England and Salamanca, Spain from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom of the BSC.

The Bicycle Club will gather from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

A student organizational leadership meeting will be held from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom of the BSC.

The International Club will meet from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

Performer Bruce Noll will present "Pure Grass," a dramatic presentation of the poetry of Walt Whitman, at 7 p.m. in Taylor Auditorium.

4 TOMORROW

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes gathers from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. in BSC Room 313.

Southern Concepts, a group for those interested in advertising, will meet at noon in BSC Room 311.

Rehearsals for the Homecoming talent show will run from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom. Attendance is required for those participating.

Dr. Allen Merriam will speak on "Christianity and Communism" at 3 p.m. Philosophy Club meeting in the House of Lords Room in the BSC.

5 SATURDAY

The football Lions face Washburn University at 7 p.m. in Topeka, Kan.

6 SUNDAY

Kappa Alpha will hold a meeting from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

7 MONDAY

Rehearsals for the Homecoming fashion show will begin at 2 p.m. in the Keystone Room of the BSC.

The Faculty Senate meets at 3 p.m. in BSC Room 313.

The Homecoming talent show will commence at 7:30 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom.

8 TUESDAY

Math League will assemble from noon to 1 p.m. in the Keystone Room of the BSC.

Phi Beta Lambda, a group for students in business or business education, will meet at 12:20 p.m. in Room 102 of Matthews Hall.

The Rodeo Club will gather from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

The Lady Lions volleyball will face Tulsa University at 7 p.m. in Young Gymnasium.

9 WEDNESDAY

The Student Senate meets at 5:30 p.m. in BSC Room 310.

A reception for Career Fair, held tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Young Gymnasium, will be from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom of the BSC.

MIDS to merge
issues in classBy LESLIE KARR
STAFF WRITER

Cultural and Natural History of England, a new class added for the spring semester, will help Missouri Southern students fulfill interdisciplinary needs.

The three-hour course, under the new 398 classification, will be jointly taught by Dr. Jim Jackson, professor of biology; and Brenda Jackson, instructor of theatre.

"If you are a biologist, you tend to look at things in biology terms," said Dr. David Ackiss, director of the honors program. "When you study history you tend to look at things in historical terms."

"Too often we tend to departmentalize. The truth we are after falls between the cracks."

Last year Southern faculty approved MIDS (Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies) in order to promote this concept.

"This is the first junior honors class of this nature," Ackiss said. "I think it's exciting to see the interdisciplinary approach on various topics. Education is all interrelated." Although Cultural and Natural History of England is the only 398 class scheduled for next semester, others will be considered.

"Eventually, we hope to offer one or two 398 courses every semester," Ackiss said, "but this our introductory class."

The class will cover the different historical eras and how they affected monarchs and English life, important documents, the English people, the various arts, along with the botany of the country.

"We want to take a look at England and how the culture of the people affects the landscape, and like-

wise how the landscape affects the culture," Jim Jackson said.

The class is not designed as a strictly honors class, though there are some prerequisites. Interested students must be of junior standing in the honors program or have a 3.5 grade-point average and permission of the instructors.

According to Jim Jackson, the class will be especially beneficial for students who will be involved in Southern's Oxford study program by preparing them for what they will be exposed to there. The class also will cover required Oxford reading.

"Taking this class will give students a will to travel there," Brenda Jackson said. "The people who are already going will be really be excited to go. This class will also help us as Americans. We'll be able to see how England's history and our country's relate."

Jim Jackson also said the class holds importance because England is where Americans' roots lie.

"England and the English are our cultural roots," he said. "England's heritage is our heritage. Results of what we are is reflection of what they are."

Next semester will be the first time for Jim and Brenda Jackson to co-teach a class even though they have been married for 20 years.

"I'm looking forward to teaching and being in the class and at the same time teaching something we really enjoy," Brenda Jackson said.

They have been going to England every other year in addition to the fact that Jim Jackson did his sabbatical research as a visiting scholar at Oxford last year.

"Our class sounds extremely scholarly, but we hope it'll be a fun class," Brenda Jackson said.

Activities fill Homecoming
Events to come include bonfire, car show, football gameBy JENNIFER SEXTON
STAFF WRITER

Homecoming got an early start this year as campus decorations were set up Monday.

"This year Homecoming is a week early," said Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities. "It was difficult to get everything organized."

"I'm pleasantly surprised at the public response. We've received help with prizes and ideas."

This year's theme is "Southern Kicks on Route 66," based on historical Highway 66 which ran through the area. Carlisle believes the theme is one to get people involved.

"Students can really get into it," she said, "even if they don't remember it (Route 66)."

This year Southern has had more royalty candidates than in past years.

"Last year we only had 21 candidates," Carlisle said. "This year we have 40."

This year's field of royalty hopefuls has been expanded to include king candidates. Final election of royalty is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the east stairwell of the Billingsly Student Center.

A talent show will begin at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Connor Ballroom of the BSC. Some of the skits expected to be performed by campus organizations include "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" by the Latter Day

Saints Student Association, a drill with lawn chairs by SADAHA/SME, and "A Day in the Life of a Rodeo Team" by the Rodeo Club.

The Hans and Franz Saturday Night Live act will be performed by the Pershing Rifles club. Kappa Alpha's band will perform, and a skit from the movie *Grease* will be presented by Zeta Tau Alpha. The Psychology Club will perform the skit, "Multiple Personality Disorder, Fact or Fallacy?"

"We have many more groups and individual performers scheduled," Carlisle said. "It will be a fun evening."

Campus displays will be judged all day Tuesday. A royalty fashion show will begin at 7 p.m. in the J.C. Penney court at the Northpark Mall.

At 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10, a spirit bonfire will be held in the north field of Hughes Stadium. A \$100 prize will go to the loudest campus group.

"I'd really like to stress the yell contest," Carlisle said. "Last year we didn't have many participants."

Beginning at 10:40 a.m., Friday, Oct. 11, will be an all-campus cook-out free with Southern student, faculty, or staff ID.

"We encourage faculty and staff to get involved," Carlisle said. "Usually the picnic is only for students, and that's not fair."

There will be a 1950s and 60s costume contest for the faculty and

Rotaract brings service to Southern

Rotary sponsors club based on community, campus service work

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Branching from the Rotary Club of Joplin, Rotaract will offer young people on campus a chance to develop professional skills.

Rotaract, based on the principles of the Rotary Club, will interact with the members of the Joplin branch.

"Rotary International is an organization whose purpose is service and fellowship," said Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs and club co-sponsor. "Rotaract is a separate organization of young persons affiliated to Rotary."

James Gray, dean of the school of business and the other sponsor of Rotaract, said it will open doors for students and professionals.

"These professionals are constantly looking to hire," he said. "It (meeting

with Rotaract members) gives them some information to the type of student we have at Missouri Southern."

Gray also said the club will concentrate on campus and community service.

"As far as the community is concerned," he said, "it would broaden their overall background. 'I would like to see opportunities [for the club] to interact.'"

Although not yet an official campus organization, Rotaract assisted in graduation ceremonies in May. Members helped seniors find the correct rooms they needed to be in and answered questions.

"The Rotaract club's purpose is to introduce the notion of service on campus," Brown said. "I think they will be quite involved with the campus community and the community at large in service programs."

According to Bryan Vowels, club secretary, Rotaract would like to help with class registration in late summer. Another project the group is considering is participating in the Adopt-A-Highway project.

BEHIND THE EIGHT BALL



Dan Reid, junior biology major, concentrates on his next move at the pool table while opponent Jack White looks on. White, a trick-shot artist and billiards player, plays students annually in the Lions' Den.

Preserving history rouses club

By BRYAN MEARES
STAFF WRITER

Enhancing members' knowledge of current world and local affairs is one of the Social Science Club's goals this year.

Members are making plans for new projects. Club meetings, usually held once or twice a month, typically have a social and educational tone.

Dr. Paul Teverow, associate professor of history and club adviser, said it has several functions.

"The goals of the club allow social science students and faculty a chance to get to know each other," he said. "It serves to keep the students posted on research and graduate projects."

He believes guest lecturers help people grasp the topics at hand.

"We like to have a speaker at least once a month," Teverow said. "They tell the student things they can't find just in the classroom."

Aside from presenting guest lecturers, the club also participates in campus activities and local charity work.

"Things are really going well this year," said Brett Cummings, senior history major and club president.

Members currently are participating in Homecoming festivities. They are planning a display and have entered two candidates for Homecoming royalty. Cummings, the club's king candidate, has ad-

vanced to the final round.

Club members also are showing interest in assisting the Joplin historical preservation committee. A proposed project would designate Joplin's landmarks into historical sites and divide the city into historical zones.

"I'm really excited. I think it's a good idea," Cummings said. "The club is really showing support for the idea."

He said members will be involved in gathering technical data and researching buildings for the committee.

Officers are Janet Clark, vice president, Debrah Wood, secretary; Heather Brown, treasurer; and Alecia Ward, fifth member.

Intramural Champions

Men's Singles Tennis

Gary Mayfield

Three-on-three sand volleyball

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unique opportunities

Networking gives participants edge

By LESLIE KARR
STAFF WRITER

A networking reception from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center will open Career Fair '91.

The reception is open to Missouri Southern students with junior and senior standing, faculty, and employers. Only 200 student tickets will be given out on a first-come basis.

"We are having the reception to kick off the career fair because it gives the employers an opportunity to see our students in a professional, social atmosphere," said Nancy Disharoon, director of career planning and placement.

All Southern students and alumni, as well as the general public, are encouraged to attend the actual fair from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10 in Young Gymnasium. Professional attire is recommended.

The purpose of Thursday's event is to provide students the opportunity to meet employers and ask questions about career options.

"Thursday will be a good time for seniors to hand out resumes and to start a network for when they'll be out in the job search," Disharoon said. "All students will really benefit from Career Fair '91."

To date, 65 different companies and institutions plan to participate. They include Atlas Powder Company, Bass Pro Shops, Eagle-Picher Industries, Leggett & Platt, The

Joplin Globe, and Wal-Mart.

"Last year, we had 70 different businesses represented at the career fair," Disharoon said. "The numbers [of companies] coming this year are down."

According to Eddie Woolfolk, Southwestern Bell area manager, his company found Southern's career fair worthwhile last year.

"We feel we were able to obtain a number of resumes for our files in St. Louis," Woolfolk said. "I don't know how many—if any—were hired, but it did give us a well-qualified selection of applications to choose from."

"It will give Southern students ideas of what kind of requirements are needed to work for a communication company."

Freshmen and sophomores are especially encouraged to attend on Thursday.

"It really did help me," said Jim Edwards, senior criminal justice major. "It gave me an insight into what I'd want to do. It would especially help freshmen and sophomores."

"This lets them see what's out there and helps them strive for that goal."

According to Cecil Howard, junior criminal justice major, the last time he went to a career fair it was beneficial.

"It was worthwhile if you were looking for a job," Howard said. "There are lots of opportunities there. If you are really job hunting, it's a great place to go."

UPCOMING EVENTS
CALENDAR

MO. SOUTHERN

Missouri Southern Film Society presents the German comedy "The Captain from Koenig" 7:30 p.m. Tuesday; Billingsly Student Center; Tickets: \$1.50 and \$1.50.

Smith Kramer Exhibition: periods of art depicted in more than 60 small paintings encompass 1840-1960; through Sunday; Spiva Art Center

JOPLIN

Second Annual Country Music Extravaganza: with Robin Lee, Joe Diffie, Michael Johnson, and Diamond Rio; 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13; Memorial Hall

Mickey Mantle Charity Golf Classic: tomorrow through Sunday; Loma Linda Country Club and Estates

Foreigner live in concert: presented by the new Z102.5 and KSNF-TV; 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2; Memorial Hall; Tickets go on sale Saturday.

Lt. Col. Oliver North: presented by Roper Pontiac; 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday; Forest Park Baptist Church. North will sign Bibles at a reception from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

SPRINGFIELD

"The Dreamer:" weekends, tomorrow through Oct. 28; Stained Glass Theatre

"Pucini: Madame Butterfly:" tomorrow through Monday; Springfield Regional Opera; 417-865-8731

"To Kill a Mockingbird:" Oct. 17-27; Springfield Little Theatre; 869-1334

TULSA

"Rodeo:" tomorrow through Sunday; Tulsa Ballet; 918-585-2573

Tulsa Philharmonic Pops Concert: "Peter and the Piano;" Oct. 12; Chapman Music Hall, Tulsa Performing Arts Center; 918-747-PHIL

Tulsa State Fair: "The Witty World of Will Rogers" is the theme for this year's event which includes more than 800 exhibits and much more; through Sunday; 918-744-1113

KANSAS CITY

Rod Stewart Vagabond Heart Tour 1991: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26; Kemper Arena; 816-931-3330

"I'm Not Rappaport:" a Tony Award-winning comedy by Herb Gardener; through Oct. 20; Missouri Repertory Theatre; for reservations call 816-235-2700

Sandi Patti in concert: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17; Kemper Arena; Tickets: \$14; all seats reserved; 816-373-4637

Kenny Rogers: 7 p.m. Sunday; Kemper Arena; 816-931-3330

1991 World Series of Comedy: through Saturday; Comedy Sportz; 842-2744

Philharmonia of Greater Kansas City: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 13; Park College Chapel; 587-2920

"The Pecos Bill Show:" through Oct. 20; Theatre for Young America; 648-4600

B-25 Airplane Exhibition: Oct. 17-20; Downtown Airport; 942-1555

ST. LOUIS

"Buddy:" The Buddy Holly story; Oct. 22-27; The Muny; Tickets: \$12-\$33

George Strait: Oct. 12; Fox Theatre; 314-535-2900

Award-winning play "Other People's Money:" Oct. 9-31; Repertory Theatre of St. Louis

RUSSIAN SILHOUETTE



Russian pianist Ariel prepares to strike the keys during last week's performance in Taylor Auditorium.

Pianist 'dazzles' audience

Ariel combines music with comedy

By BRYAN MEARES

STAFF WRITER

Russian pianist Ariel dazzled and delighted a packed house during last Thursday's performance in Taylor Auditorium.

Making his second trip to Missouri Southern, the pianist once again employed his formula

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of blending music with a stand-up comedy routine.

Ariel appeared at Southern for the first time in 1989. The Campus Activities Board brought him back, apparently by popular demand. He thanked concert-goers at the end of the show for bringing him back to Joplin.

Born in the Soviet Union, he began his schooling in classical piano at age 5. Ariel studied piano for the next 17 years, until he left the Soviet Union. In school he was restricted to playing classical pieces, except for occasional Russian folk songs which were played for entertainment.

When Ariel reached his teens, he bought a *Beatles* record on the black market. This music made a tremen-

dous impact on him. Afterward, he began to frequent the black market in order to gather other Western albums.

Ariel joked on stage, "I went to the black market like you go to the 7-11."

The typical pattern of the performance consisted of a song, then a monologue followed by another song. But he also relied on audience participation.

In performing the "Russian Folk Medley," the audience clapped along to the songs Ariel played.

In a particularly cute segment, he selected a member of the audience to play the triangle. He nodded his head to signal the "hammer player" as he played the *Beatles*' immortal "Maxwell's Silver Hammer."

He performed several rock and contemporary pieces by his major influences. He did a fine rendition of "Stairway to Heaven" by Led Zeppelin.

Ariel also performed a *Chicago* medley and "Knights in White Satin" by the *Moody Blues*. A hush fell on the crowd and the atmosphere became calm as he played both songs. Patrons relaxed and listened appreciatively, especially during the

Chicago medley.

Aside from rock, Ariel performed segments from *Phantom of the Opera*. His final number was an original song dedicated to the prospect of world unity.

It was the second self-written song he performed. The first was based on a classic story in Russian literature.

Following a standing ovation, Ariel allowed the audience to choose the encore piece. The selection was "Memories" from the Broadway show *Cats*.

Combining a diverse audience with the high turnout, some grumblings were to be expected. Several concert-goers were disappointed with the selection of pieces performed.

Some expected to the concert to be similar to a classical piano recital. Others were alienated because they were not familiar with the songs.

In all fairness to Ariel, he delivered exactly what his advance billing claimed. The songs were selected to reflect his artistic rendition ability and to appeal to a large audience.

Most responded favorably to Ariel's ability as a pianist, and his quick wit drew a healthy audience response.

Despite the problems some had with the concert, most left the show satisfied with his performance.

By CRISTY SPENCER

STAFF WRITER

Art League
sketches
activities

For those students who are interested in art, Missouri Southern has an organization that caters just to their needs.

The Art League is a departmental organization that provides those involved with a vast array of art culture. Val Christensen, faculty adviser, said the league is not just for art majors and there are no strict criteria to get involved.

"Our only criteria is that they

have an interest in art," he said.

Christensen has assisted the organization for three years. This year, Joyce Bonacker has joined him as co-sponsor.

Among the activities the league participates in are two Southern Showcases, one in the fall and one in the spring. The showcases are on-campus exhibitions where students submit entries to be judged by a juror from the area. The winners are awarded small prizes.

The group also invites guest speakers to campus to provide students a

First tournament
proves beneficialYoung debaters
get experience

By LORI CLEVENGER

STAFF WRITER

Although Missouri Southern's debate team did not return home victorious from its first tournament, it did gain experience.

Last weekend's tournament was held at Johnson County Community College in Overland Park, Kan. According to Brooks Haynie, debate coach, the Southern teams did not compile the top scores, but he was pleased nevertheless.

"Even though the scores were low, I am pleased with their scores because they were competing with far more experienced schools," Haynie said.

In NDT competition, the Southern team of Stephen Doubledee and Eric Dicharry won two and lost five rounds.

"I hoped they would get three wins," Haynie said, "but the fact that we won two rounds is actually very good considering we are the only new school in the policy debate circuit."

Other Southern debaters com-

peted in individual events—poetry, impromptu, and dramatic speeches. Haynie said freshmen Phillip Samuels and Kimberly Lawry nearly reached the finals in one of their events.

"I was exceedingly pleased with how they did because with the program in transition like it is, to go to the first tournament they did well," Haynie said.

Other freshmen competing in individual events were Shannon Lightfoot and Amy Coffey.

Haynie said the team could have been better prepared, but called it a learning experience.

"I have tried to explain to them how much research they need to be doing, but they did not understand that until they went to this tournament and got pounded around in a couple of the rounds," he said. "I think now they have a much more clear conception about the level of work they need to do."

Haynie expects the team to compile higher scores in the next few tournaments.

"I think after we learn the ropes, next semester we will be in a lot better shape," he said.

The next tournament is scheduled for Oct. 11-13 at Emporia State.

Comedy film to show

The classic comedy film *The Captain from Koenig* will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

As the second program in the 30th anniversary season of the International Film Festival, *The Captain From Koenig* is Carl Zuckmayer's pre-Nazi-era comedy about the biggest hoax in history.

It is the true story of poor cobbler Wilhelm Voigt who, desperate to obtain a passport denied to him, donned a second-hand captain's uniform in a railroad station washroom, commandeered a squad of soldiers of the Kaiser's Imperial Army and ordered them to arrest the mayor of Koenig and take him to Berlin.

Having proved to an amused Germany that the authority of a uniform counted for more than a man, Voigt voluntarily surrendered and was granted his passport by the Kaiser.

Helmuth Kautner, director of *The Captain From Koenig*, has been said to have skillfully integrated the

film's social content with an affectionate look at the turn-of-the-century Germany while consistently retaining the film's basic comic nature.

Boxley Crowther of the *New York Times* said the film is "...a magnificent color production that profits by the best of contemporary techniques and by a cast headed by Heinz Ruhmann, is nothing short of superb."

An excerpt from the *New York Herald-Tribune* reads: "Exceptional, remarkable, and appealing. Certainly Heinz Ruhmann in the title role deserves hurrahs."

Ruhmann was awarded the Prize for Best Actor at the 1957 San Francisco Film Festival.

Season tickets for the remaining nine programs are on sale at \$7 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Single admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and students. Children are admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

Financial assistance for the Film Society has been provided by the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency.

greater understanding and appreciation of art. For further enrichment, members go on various art-related field trips.

In addition to being a learning experience for the students, the Art League also is a social organization. Like other campus social organizations, the league provides an opportunity for students to get together with others who share the same interests.

"We try to get together to develop some common friendships."

The group is currently creating a

float for the upcoming Southern Homecoming activities. It also is involved in various fundraisers.

This year's league consists of about 15 students with Scott Gladden, sophomore art major, serving as president.

Christensen said the organization can greatly benefit those who participate by giving them an increased knowledge of art.

"It benefits the students by providing them, collectively, an opportunity to visit museums and other art departments in the area," he said.

Piano competition adds new features

The fourth Missouri Southern International Piano competition, set for April 22-25, will include some new features.

The four days of competition will feature some of the world's best young pianists and, this time, area residents will have greater access to hear competitors due to the scheduling of evening sessions.

Another new addition to the competition will be an honors audition that will allow budding pianists within a 100-mile radius of Missouri Southern to experience the atmosphere of a world-class competition.

Winners of the honors audition will be invited to attend a welcoming party with the international competitors, perform in a master class for the piano competition judges, and be recognized at the gala concert at the conclusion of the competition.

The honors audition is scheduled for Saturday, March 28, when students 18 years old and younger will be selected to perform for the judges one piece or set of pieces not to exceed 10 minutes.

With the competition deadline (Jan. 27) still months away, early indicators are pointing to a strong interest in this year's event, according to organizers.

Vivian Leon, director of the piano

competition, said she already has received inquiries from 34 states and 13 countries.

Leon said information has been distributed to virtually every college and university in the United States and Canada, premier music schools in 22 countries, and U.S. embassies world-wide.

Leon said she expects preliminary screenings to narrow the field to 35 contestants who will compete in two divisions: a junior division for students 18 years old and under, and a senior division for pianists between the ages of 19-30.

"We will have the best of the crop," Leon said.

She credits much of the success of the last competition to strong community support.

"The generosity of the patrons, the corporate sponsors, volunteer workers, and the media has made the competition virtually self-supporting financially," she said. "It is important that at this time of budget cutting, the competition does not put a burden on the College's budget."

"This year's fund-raising effort will be launched soon, and the drive to secure host families for the competitors is underway."

Thousands of dollars in prize money will be at stake for the competitors, as well as exposure and ex-

perience in the event.

Three prizes in each category will be awarded, with a top prize of \$5,000 and a New York debut in Carnegie Recital Hall to the senior division winner. Second-prize in the senior division is \$2,500, and third-prize is \$1,000. The top prize in the junior division is \$1,000, with second-place garnering \$750 and third \$500.

A kick-off concert featuring last year's first-prize winner in the senior division, Mia Chung, is scheduled for April 21. The performance will be followed by four days of competition on April 22-25, concluding with a gala concert and reception on Saturday night, April 25.

Judges for the event include Tong-il Han, professor of music at Boston University; Solomon Mikowsky, of the Manhattan School of Music; Sylvia Zarembo, renowned teacher at Ohio State University; Erna Gulabian, a well-known teacher at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music; and Martin Berkofsky, music director of the competition and assistant professor of music at Southern.

All events, including competition rounds, will be open to the public. According to organizers, a more precise schedule of events and ticket information will be available at a later date.

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Fox TV not aired in Joplin

By KIRBY FIELDS
STAFF WRITER

Excessive costs and insufficient demand are the primary reasons Joplin's Cablecom has yet to add the Fox Network, company officials said.

"Each station has its own Area of Dominant Influence (ADI)," said Jim Perry, Cablecom district manager. "A signal reaches a station, and that station has to generate the signal within a given boundary."

"There is no Fox signal that falls over Joplin. There is one that comes out of Springfield, but we're not within their local signal radius."

If Cablecom opted to receive the Fox signal, it would be called an imported distance signal. The company would be charged for copyright liability.

"For us to receive the Fox Network it would cost approximately \$120,000," said Perry. "I would have to raise all of my customers' bills accordingly." Cablecom customers currently pay \$20.15 per month for basic cable. If Fox was added, rates would be increased \$1 per month.

"Fox is only a part-time network," Perry said. "They only broadcast between 15 and 24 hours a week. I cranked that into my thinking, and I don't think that it's a good deal for my customers."

Another reason Cablecom cannot currently add the Fox Network to its programming is because it already is carrying the maximum number of channels.

Cable operations are determined by the amount of megahertz a company can carry. Operating with 330 megahertz, Cablecom only can carry a maximum of 40 stations.

Perry said the system could be upgraded to 450 or 550 megahertz but each jump costs several million dollars.

Two years ago, when Cablecom was able to add several new stations, it put a survey in *The Joplin Globe* asking viewers what new stations they would like to see added. Fox did not make a strong showing, and the Nostalgia station was added instead.

"Whenever I'm able to add stations, I like to give the people what they want," Perry said.

There is a creation on the horizon that will let cable companies provide up to four times as many stations as they currently carry.

"There's something called a Video Compression that is being tested," Perry said. "It will allow you to put four channels on one channel. A box on top of your TV set depresses the channels allowing you to see four channels instead of one."

Whenever additional channels can be added there will be another survey in *The Globe*, Perry said.

DANCING TO THE BEAT



CHRIS COX/The Chart

The rock band *Walking on Einstein* entertains a crowd of nearly 450 people at a local benefit concert. The concert raised money to fight the Atlas incinerator and help save portions of the Amazon rain forest.

Concert receipts to aid battle against incinerator

'We the People' hosts 450 persons at last Sunday's fundraiser

By SUSAN HOSKINS
STAFF WRITER

About 450 people attended a concert Sunday designed to raise funds to fight the proposed Atlas incinerator and purchase a portion of the Amazon rain forest for preservation.

According to Mike McCullough, president of "We the People," a local environmental group, the amount of money raised by the concert was unavailable at press time.

McCullough said he became involved in planning the concert to protest the incinerator.

"I don't believe the Atlas incinerator should be built," he said. "I

don't believe Atlas will run it properly."

McCullough called the concert, held at Doc Holiday's Outback, 2803 Range Line, a success, due in part to the involvement of the bands who participated.

"Without the musicians, we could not have done anything," he said. "Those people are great as far as I'm concerned."

Jennifer Russell, a Missouri Southern freshman, thought the concert offered a chance to learn about the issues surrounding the Atlas project.

"It is an excellent opportunity for the people of Joplin and the surrounding communities to learn about the effects of the incinerator," she

said, "as well as learn about the rain forests and how vital they are to our lives."

Russell, a communications major, also said she does not support the Atlas incinerator.

"Personally, I don't have enough information to make a decision about it," she said. "My gut feeling is not to like it; my gut feeling is to oppose it."

"However I don't want to make an ignorant decision, and that is what this concert was about. They are trying to inform the people of Joplin about the harm the incinerator will have on the community."

The concert originally was scheduled to run from noon to midnight,

North to address church services

By SUSAN HOSKINS
STAFF WRITER

Two speeches by Lt. Col. Oliver North at Joplin's Forest Park Baptist Church will focus on his belief in Christian faith and the family.

The speeches will be given at 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 6. There will be a reception for North between the two services.

Dr. John Wren, Forest Park pastor, said he began to consider the possibility of North speaking in Joplin after attending the Southern Baptist Convention in June, where North was a guest speaker.

"We try to have someone who is outstanding," he said. "He is now the third or fourth most popular speaker in the country. That should attract large crowds."

Wren said North also focuses on the problems of the country and the obstacles he faced while on trial.

"He speaks about the fact that we have the greatest country in the world," Wren said. "But there are

some alarming things in our country that he is scared of."

"He also speaks about the last four to five years of his life and how he could not make it without his Christian faith, his church, and his family, and how we take these things for granted."

North spends one Sunday a month speaking to churches around the country for reduced fees, Wren said. The fees he does receive go toward his legal expenses.

Along with Forest Park, Roper Pontiac and KODE-TV are sponsoring North's appearance.

While Forest Park is the first church in the area to have North speak at Sunday services, he is booked to speak at a Baptist church in Springdale, Ark., at a later date.

According to Wren, the speeches appeal to patriotism.

"All of us love America and all of us are concerned about the issues that face America," Wren said. "Whether they are liberal or conservative, everyone has a dogmatic opinion concerning our country."

Attorney general wins \$150,000 stockyard settlement

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Missouri Attorney General Bill Webster was in Joplin Tuesday afternoon to announce the \$150,000 settlement of a lawsuit involving the Joplin Regional Stockyards.

Webster said the lawsuit was one of 19 filed in 1989 alleging that market operators misrepresented the origin and ownership of cattle sold through the Joplin livestock market.

"This is the eighth settlement we have achieved in our investigation of the Joplin Regional Stockyards," he said. "By far it is the largest, in that it involves the actual corporate entity of Joplin Regional Stockyards."

State Rep. Mark Elliott (R-Webb

City) said the farmers' confidence in the cattle market had been shaken in this last three years.

The \$150,000 settlement will be used to finance a number of projects related to agriculture across the state.

"We want this money to go to groups and organizations that will actually benefit agriculture in the state," Webster said.

The projects to benefit from the \$150,000 settlement include a new cattle loader for the cattle export facility at Kansas City International Airport (\$50,000), the University of Missouri college of veterinary medicine (\$37,500), the Agricultural Leadership of Tomorrow program (\$37,500), and the agricultural program at Southwest Missouri State

University (\$25,000).

The lawsuits allege, among other things, that defendants violated animal health laws by falsifying records concerning brucellosis infection in cattle sold through the Joplin stockyards.

According to literature provided by the attorney general's office, brucellosis is an infectious bacterial disease which causes cattle to abort or give birth to weak calves.

The U.S. department of agriculture monitors the spread of brucellosis by rating the states on a four-tiered system, with "free" meaning no incidences and "C" meaning highest number of incidences.

Webster said, at the time of the lawsuit, Missouri was rated class A, and Arkansas and Oklahoma were

rated as class B.

"Our concern was cattle that came from those states were not properly identified," he said. "It could have affected the integrity of Missouri herds."

According to Webster, these concerns are less now because Arkansas and Oklahoma have attained class A status with regards to brucellosis.

"We have good reason to believe that not only do we have a good stockyards that is complying with the law but that we are not going to have problems with infected cattle from our neighboring states," he said.

Tom Kelly, director of the state department of agriculture, said the results of this case were well worth the time and effort expended.

"This sends a clear message that we're serious about eradicating brucellosis in the state of Missouri," Kelly said.

Advances are being made in the eradication process, according to Kelly.

"We've made a lot of progress in the last several years," he said. "We're down to about 30 infected herds, as of this month."

Webster said he will request that a trial date be set for the remaining cases in the next two weeks.

"We have been in contact with attorneys for some of the other defendants," he said. "We will certainly give them the opportunity to settle before all parties have to expend thousands of dollars in resources trying these cases [in court]."

Steelman starts campaign in south Missouri

Candidate plans to 'walk the walk'

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Rolla attorney David Steelman stopped in Joplin Tuesday on a swing through southern Missouri to kick off his campaign for state attorney general.

Steelman, a former Republican state representative, stressed a number of issues facing the office in the future.

"More and more of the issues of government today end up in the court system," he said.

"So many decisions—where our children are educated, how much money is spent on education, how health care is provided to the terminally ill—have been decided whole or in part by the judicial system."

Decisions made by courts depend, in a large part, on the ideas presented by the attorney for the people. That person is the attorney

general, according to Steelman.

"The interests of the people are not always the same as the interests of state government," he said. "The attorney general has an obligation, and a duty sometimes, to distinguish when these differences arise."

Drugs and drug-related crime is a major issue facing states across the nation, Steelman said.

"We are finally recognizing that drug-related violence and drug-related crime are caused by well-organized and well-financed gangs that extend beyond the inner-city and beyond the boundaries of Missouri," Steelman said.

"If we're going to get a handle on those gangs, it's going to take interstate cooperation. The attorney general's office is a very logical office to start that cooperation."

Steelman, 38, stressed that environmental issues also will require attention on the office's part.

"I'm happy we have come to recognize our environmental responsibility and obligations to future generations," he said. "I'm not happy

about the anti-growth turn the environmental movement sometimes takes."

The environmental question does not have an easy answer, Steelman said.

"There are intentional polluters, and those violators have to be eliminated," he said. "Some of the environmental problems are caused by people who are simply unaware, and many times what can be done is to simply explain the policies and try to aid them in better running their business without polluting."

Costly and lengthy court battles are not always the way to clean up the environment, Steelman said.

"If elected, I hope to initiate some mediation and arbitration procedures so you can get a quick resolution on environmental questions," he said.

Steelman said the end is in sight for the state battle with the lengthy school desegregation cases in Kansas City and St. Louis.

"The most recent [court] order out of St. Louis was one of the first

judicial recognitions I have seen that the courts are not well equipped to run the school systems," he said.

To get a better understanding of how the people of Missouri think, Steelman said he plans to experience different jobs as he campaigns across the state.

"Sometimes to understand the choices and the decisions people make, it's necessary to walk a mile in their shoes," he said. "As I go around the state I intend to spend some time working in different jobs."

"We're going to work at a construction site, in a farm field, at a day-care center, at a home for the homeless, and in a drug-abuse clinic, where we have the victims of these so-called victimless crimes," he said.

Steelman said his eight-year absence from government gives him an advantage over opponents who currently are in public office.

"I've been in government; I know how government works. But I've also represented people outside of government and I know how government doesn't work," he said.

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fighting between rival wings of Najibullah's Homeland (ex-Communist) Party has waned. Moreover army, party, and people are united in their fear of a disorderly collapse of the Najibullah regime, with the mujaheddin storming into Kabul and other cities to loot and kill. In Tehran last week the UN secretary-general, Javier Perez de Cuellar, begged the mujaheddin not to pursue that sort of ending.

Najibullah's more pressing problem is how to feed Kabul and other cities during the coming winter. For years the cities have relied upon Soviet wheat, cooking oil, sugar, and fuel brought down the Salang highway or airlifted into Kabul. After the failed coup against Mikhail Gorbachev, these deliveries virtually stopped. The government says it needs to import 500,000 tonnes of wheat this year, despite a better-than-average

harvest. The Soviet Union, itself, facing food shortages, has promised continued aid, but may not be able to oblige. Russia's President Boris Yeltsin says he wants the drain on Russian resources to stop.

On Sept. 17 a big convoy carrying food and fuel reached Kabul. On the 18, a second arrived in Lashkargah in the south-west of the country. But how many more will there be? The government in Kabul is desperately

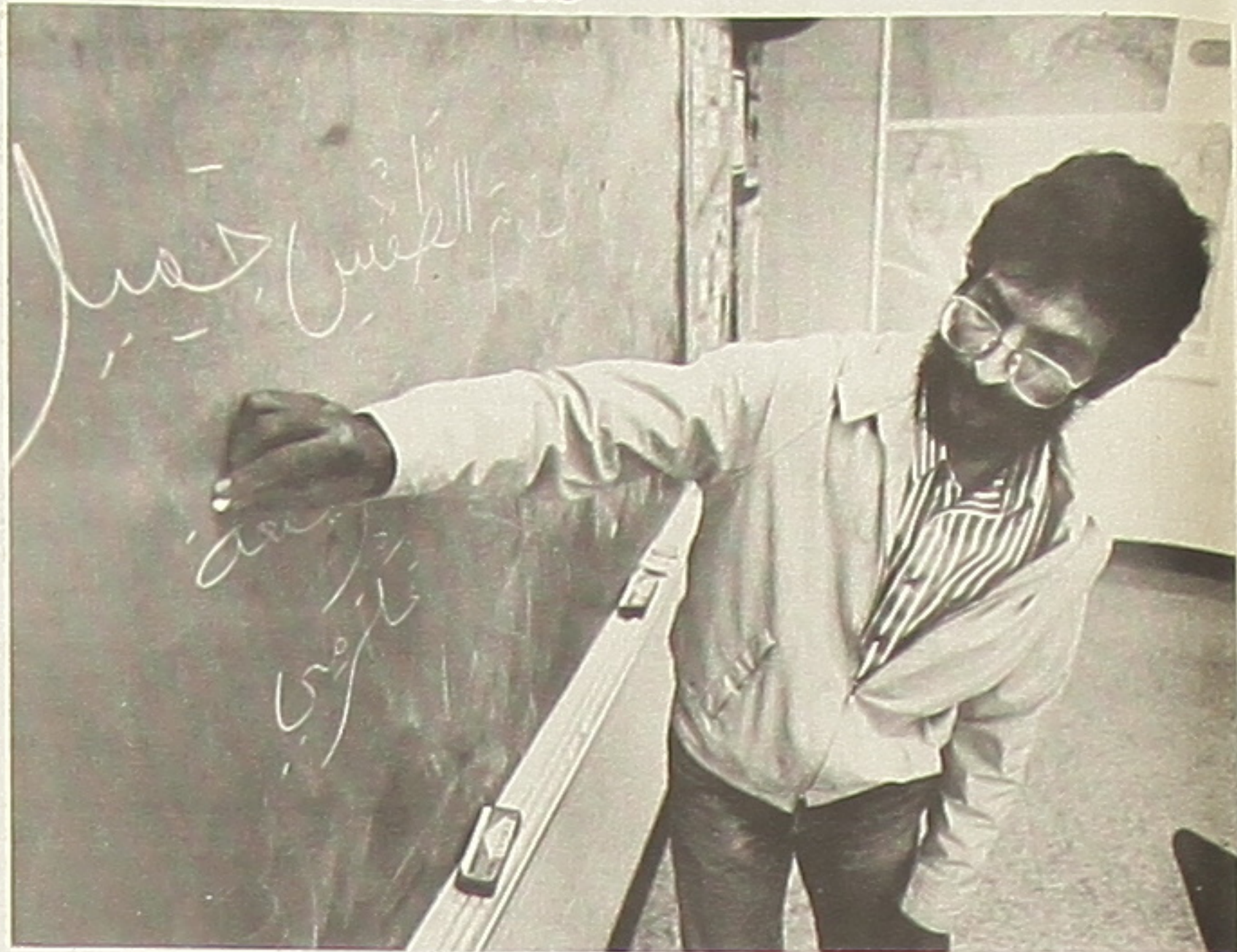
trying to obtain wheat from India and Iran, but it has little foreign currency to pay for it. Meanwhile petrol prices have doubled in the cities and a kilo (2.2 lbs) of meat costs a government worker almost a day's wages. Much more of this and famine, considered a real possibility by some relief workers, could soon be a worse enemy for Najibullah than all the fractious mujaheddin.



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

David Steelman, a Rolla attorney, announces his candidacy Tuesday for Missouri attorney general while his wife, Sarah, looks on.

LANGUAGE LESSONS



Dr. Boujemaa Akremi, adjunct instructor in Arabic, uses the chalkboard to demonstrate the language.

Biologist finds new field

Akremi teaches Arabic part-time

By HOLLEE ELLSWORTH
CHART REPORTER

Having a varied education has brought Dr. Boujemaa Akremi many international experiences.

"The best is yet to come," he says smiling.

Akremi, 37, came to Missouri Southern in January as an adjunct instructor in Arabic. He has a Ph.D. in biology and animal science.

A native of Tunisia, Akremi began his higher education career in 1980 at the University of Missouri. He chose MU because he knew of its reputation in agriculture education. His studies focused on animal genetics, specifically beef cattle quantitative genetics. He then returned to his homeland to head a veterinarian institute.

"You could probably compare it to the MU extension stations, as I worked a lot with veterinarians."

Akremi, who grew up among animals, believes his greatest achieve-

ment was taking over the veterinarian institute and making it function usefully.

"I find extension-type work the most important in developing agriculture anywhere," he said.

Akremi originally applied to the biology department at Southern.

"Since my application had on it that I speak Arabic and French, it ended up in the communications department," he said. "I've been really enjoying it."

If the opportunity came about for Akremi to teach biology, he said he would turn it down now.

"I've discovered a whole new field," he said.

His primary language is Arabic, with French his second and English his third. He teaches French at Pittsburg State University.

He is impressed with Southern and respects its struggle to survive between universities in Springfield and Pittsburg.

"My kid will probably go to school here," he said.

Before coming to this country, Akremi ventured all over Europe and England. His form of transportation was hitchhiking.

"It was an inexpensive way to

travel," he said.

Akremi returned to the United States in 1989 when his wife, whom he met at MU, received a medical doctor position in Lockwood, Mo. They live there with their two sons.

"We've done a lot of traveling around before we landed in southwest Missouri," he said.

His interests include bicycling, herb gardening, music, and writing poetry.

During the Gulf War, Akremi was separated from his family for seven months. He was visiting in Tunisia, and his family was in the states. The U.S. Embassy was hesitant to let anyone travel here, and the separation resulted in "heavy phone bills."

He and his wife came from opposite ends of the world. She is from Alaska, where she was raised as a Quaker. He grew up in a strict Muslim home in Tunisia where he was taught not to lie and to pray five times a day.

"Religion all comes down to the same thing," Akremi said.

He and his wife are tolerant of each other's beliefs, he said.

"Humans are humans," Akremi said. "My philosophy is to accept everybody."

Dworkin admires Sinead O'Connor

Professor tells of foreign travel

By MARY WHITE
CHART REPORTER

Sinead O'Connor, foreign travel, and bird watching are all interests of one of Missouri Southern's newest faculty members.

"I admire Sinead O'Connor enormously; she is a tremendous artist and human being," said Dr. Joy Dworkin, assistant professor of English. "She is very honest and outspoken."

Traveling to foreign countries is one of Dworkin's favorite hobbies. When she was 14, her mother took her to Spain.

"She wanted us to have the experience of living somewhere else," Dworkin said. "This was really an important experience for me. It gave

me a sense of another way of life and another kind of society."

This was the first time Dworkin was outside the United States. Since then, she has traveled to Russia, Poland, and Ireland. Dworkin studied at Leningrad State University in Russia and at Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Poland.

"I met wonderful people, including writers," she said. "I got to visit my grandfather's hometown."

Dworkin and her husband hitchhiked across Ireland. They met several different types of people.

"We were picked up by a German family. The head of the family was old enough to be in World War II. He was a Nazi soldier," Dworkin said.

"My family is Jewish, and it was

very interesting to hear this man tell his young daughter about the war," she added.

Dworkin hopes to travel to India, as she is interested in the spirituality found there.

Bird watching is yet another interest of hers.

"Bird watching is somewhat goal-oriented. It helps you develop your perceptive abilities," Dworkin said. "It is one of the pleasures of my life."

She became interested in the English field of study through her own writing experiences. Dworkin has done some translations in Russian and Polish that were published in journals.

"I love to write and help others see how fun it is to write," she said.

She received her bachelor's at Reed College and master's degrees in the slavic languages and fine arts at the University of Michigan. She also

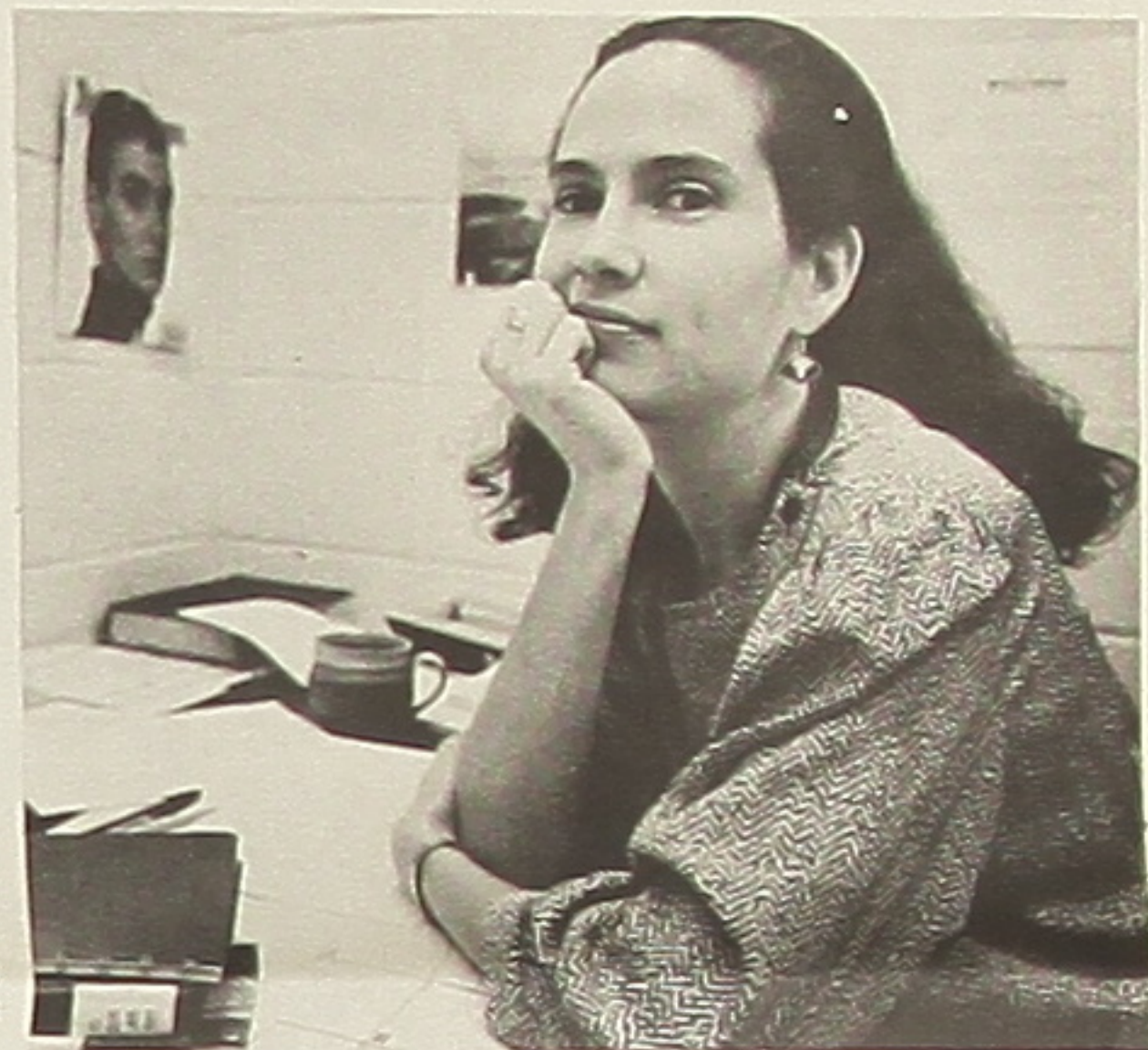
received her doctorate there. At the University of Michigan, Dworkin taught beginning Russian, Russian literature, and creative writing.

"I like contact with students. I like seeing students get excited about their abilities and their own unique qualities," she said.

Dworkin came to Southern at the beginning of August to have the opportunity to teach writing courses as well as some Russian literature.

"People here at Missouri Southern are enormously helpful, and warm—especially my colleagues. People seem to be very happy at Southern," Dworkin said.

"My advice to Missouri Southern students would be: 'Follow your own interests. If you follow that avenue, you will get something out of it. It might not be what you expect, but this teaches you to be flexible with your expectations.'"



Dr. Joy Dworkin

Liu gives lessons to all ages

By TIM METCALF
CHART REPORTER

For Kexi Liu, teaching at Missouri Southern involves dealing with more than just college-aged students.

As an instructor of music, Liu teaches violin to college students. However, as director of the Suzuki Violin Academy, a pre-college program, he instructs children up to the high school level. The program currently has 40 students.

"I hope we can develop that," Liu said. "That's not big enough in my opinion, because we're still not able to place everybody who wants in this program."

According to Liu, the students come from Springfield, Neosho, Anderson, Jasper, and Joplin, as well as other surrounding communities.

He started his private teaching in 1975. Liu says he enjoys teaching because "you see the student grow up and make progress."

Concerning the origins of his own interest in the violin, Liu says he started playing at the age of nine or 10.

"Compared to the children here, I started late," he said.

MASTERING THE INSTRUMENT



Kexi Liu, instructor of music, works with a young pupil as director of the Suzuki Violin Academy.

Liu has found ways to stay active in music outside of the classroom as well. He has written two books: *Western Music and Its Schools* (1982) and *The Enjoyment of Music* (1984). The latter is a widely used text in American universities. He also translated it into Chinese.

Liu serves as violinist in South-

ern's faculty trio, as well as concertmaster for the community orchestra.

"I enjoy both, teaching and performing," he said.

Liu's decision to come to Southern was based upon an offer he received from the College. Concerning the Joplin area, he says that he, his wife, and their two children like it, even

though they have only been here a short time.

"I don't know how strong music life is here, because this is a small city," said Liu.

"I hope we can attract big performing groups to come to the city," he added. "I would like to see big European or American orchestras."

Marriage brings library clerk from Philippines to America

By BUTCH CUMMISKY
CHART REPORTER

A Missouri Southern library clerk would like to visit her home, but she fears for her husband's life.

Merilyn Arment, originally from the Philippines, has been in the United States for four years. Someday she would like to return to the Philippines to visit her family, but because of anti-American sentiment there she does not want to take her husband.

"I can go back, but I am afraid for my husband. Someone might try to shoot him," Arment said.

She may return to see her family, but only for a visit. She does not want to stay.

Arment met her husband, Wil-

liam, in Houston, Texas.

"I came here as a tourist. I was staying with my sister in Houston, and that's where I met my husband," Arment said.

Before coming to Southern, she worked for the Arizona Mail Order Company in Tucson. She has been at Southern since October 1990.

"I really like it here. I like working with the students," Arment said.

She received degrees in business administration and accounting from The National College of Business Administration in the Philippines.

Arment enjoys living in Missouri, but is not sure how long she will stay here. Her husband, who works for IBM, is wanting to move again.

"I like working here," she said. "All my bosses are nice, and I have learned a lot since I have been here."

Karimi comes to U.S. to teach and to learn

Prayer plays important role in instructor's life

By REBECCA KINNEY
CHART REPORTER

He came to American from India not only to teach but to learn as well, and Missouri Southern is helping Mushabbar Karimi do just that.

"I explain my philosophy of life by quoting a saying: 'Religion is the way of life and philosophy is the view of it,'" said Karimi, instructor of computer-aided drafting and design and computer-aided manufacturing and technology.

Since his religion is Muslim, he is taking Arabic II in order to better read the Koran, the Muslim bible, which is written entirely in Arabic.

Hanging on the wall in his office is a computer-generated printout of the five time ranges in which he must pray that day. The ranges vary a little each day according to a person's latitude and longitude among other things.

"There are those who can just look at the sun and moon and tell what range it is. But when we have computers and watches, why not use them?" asked Karimi, smiling.

Each time he prays he faces the Mecca in Saudi Arabia. His prayer time and classes do not conflict, however, because there is usually only one prayer range from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Karimi makes time for leisure, also.

"I go to the library often," he said. "I read newspapers and religious and history books."

His interest in books stops at reading, though. He doesn't think he will publish any books soon.

"You need a better background to do that. Right now I want to concentrate on learning more."

"In the United States you get what you deserve. If you work hard, there are many opportunities for learning. That's what gives you a sense of accomplishment," he said.

Occasionally Karimi goes to Pittsburg, Kan., to meet with a group of Muslims. This is one of his social activities.

"One of the things I miss most is the social group I had in India," he said.

Karimi points out, though, that he

likes the assistance and support he receives at Southern from faculty and students.

"The students are very appreciative. Most of them have the desire to learn," he said.

But the people are not the only aspect of southwest Missouri that Karimi likes.

"I like the weather here. It reminds me more of India because it's hotter," he said, referring to the weather in Chicago where he spent the last few years getting his master's degree before he came to Southern in the fall of 1990.

The weather, however, is not what brought him to Joplin.

"Later we might be offering CIM (computer-integrated manufacturing), and that's why I came here," he explained.

CIM is a type of manufacturing whose every step is done by computers. Karimi says CIM still is a concept in most industries. He believes he can help Southern's school of technology develop CIM, but he stresses the need for more computers, equipment, and software.



Mushabbar Karimi

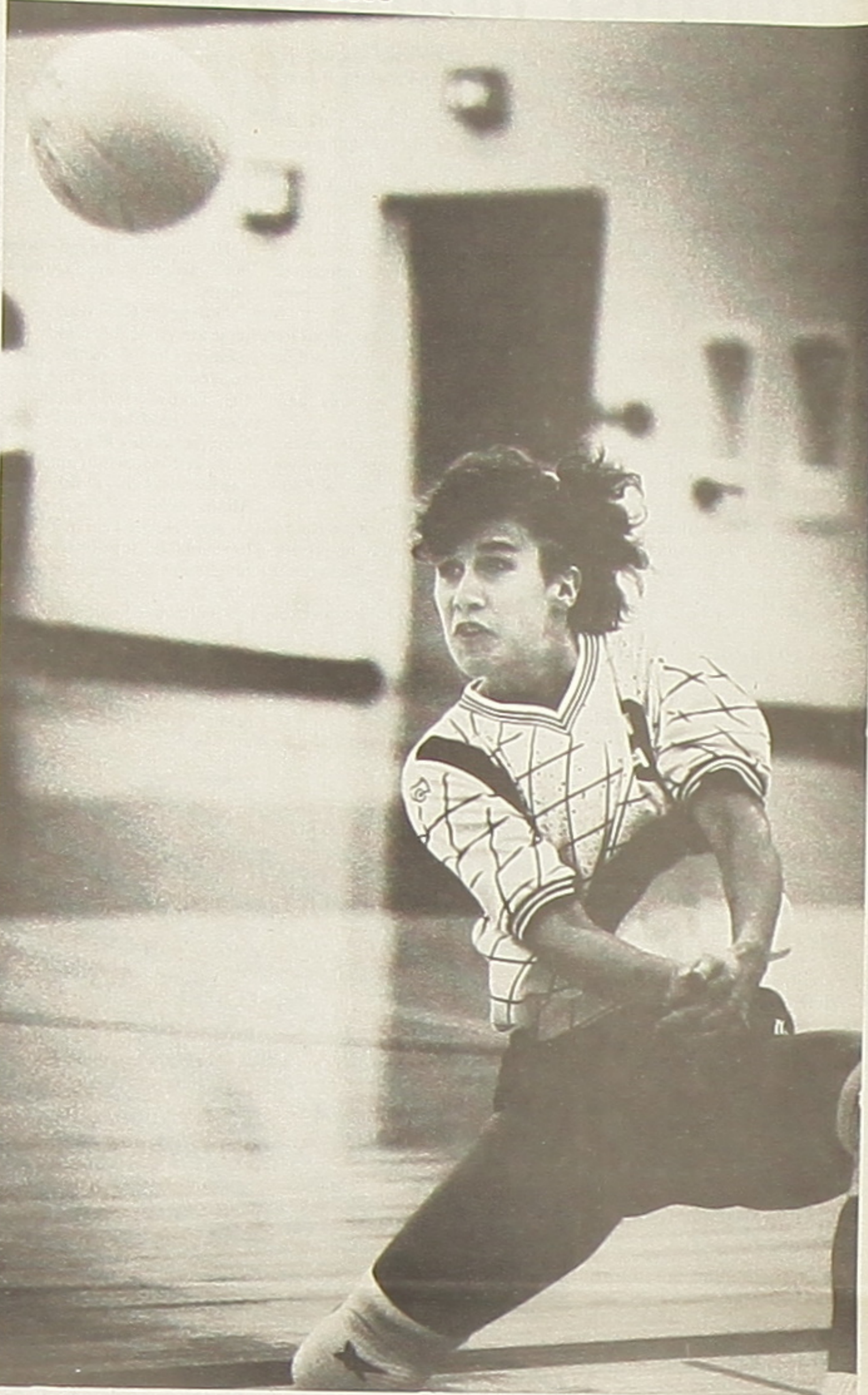
SURROUNDED



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Merilyn Arment, library clerk, makes sure the shelves are in order.

DEFENSIVE EFFORT



Sophomore Stacy Harter, defensive specialist for the Lady Lions volleyball squad, digs the ball during a game in the Lady Lions Invitational last Saturday. The volleyball Lions now stand 15-1 on the year.

CHRIS COX/The Chart

Lady Lions claim 12th straight

Southern now 15-1, faces UMKC today

By STACY CAMPBELL
STAFF WRITER

Winners of 12 consecutive matches, the Lady Lions volleyball team, now 15-1, plays at the University of Missouri-Kansas City at 7 p.m. today.

Debbie Traywick, head coach, does not know what to expect from UMKC other than its performance against common opponents.

"They have played some of the [MIAA] conference schools, and they (the conference schools) have beaten them," Traywick said.

The Lady Lions will play UMKC before traveling to the Missouri Western Tournament in St. Joseph tomorrow and Saturday. The tournament features four pools of four teams each.

Each pool plays in round-robin competition tomorrow. The top two teams of each pool play in a single-elimination tournament Saturday. The bottom two play in another tournament the same day.

Southern opens play at 9 a.m. tomorrow against Hastings (Neb.) College, meets Emporia (Kan.) State at 3 p.m., and then closes with San Angelo (Texas) State at 7 p.m.

Sophomore outside hitter Michelle Dixon thinks the 16-team tournament will be good for the team.

"You should see a lot of good volleyball," she said. "Usually the tougher competition the better we play, though."

Senior outside hitter Missy Beveridge echoed Dixon's comments.

"We don't know a lot about the teams we will be playing, but if we play the way we have so far this season, we can play with best of them," she said.

Southern came off a first-place finish in its own Lady Lions Invitational last weekend to win two matches this week. The Lady Lions defeated College of the Ozarks 15-0, 15-2, and 15-1 last night.

"The good thing is we got to play relaxed, and if we would play every match like that no matter who the opponent we would do well," Traywick said.

Tulsa University fell to Southern 15-4, 6-15, 10-15, 15-13, and 15-10

Tuesday. The Lady Lions were inconsistent, according to Traywick.

"The first and last matches we played well, but in the middle three we played poor," she said. "The nice part is we had three or four players who had poor games, and everyone else stepped up the heat."

"It showed real team play."

Traywick was pleased with the team's performance in the Lady Lions Invitational, but knows the season gets tougher.

"Overall, I am happy with the way the team performed, but we have six or seven weeks still left in the season and the toughest is beginning to begin," she said. "The players savor the wins more, but I look down the road at the tough schedule we have coming up."

Southern defeated Arkansas Tech University 15-0, 15-6, and 15-8 to open play, then edged Northeast Missouri State 15-13, 6-15, 15-17, 15-11, and 15-6 in what Traywick called a good effort.

Southern finished the tournament by defeating Northwest (13-15, 15-9, 15-3, 15-4) and Drury (15-7, 13-15, 15-11, 15-10).

Lions eye polls

Southern to meet 0-4 Washburn

By RON FAUSS
STAFF WRITER

Seeking to enter the NCAA Division II top 20 poll, the foot-Lions travel to Topeka, Kan., Saturday to take on the Washburn University Ichabods at 7 p.m.

The Lions, 3-1, are currently tied with Emporia State and Northwest Missouri State for first place in the MIAA. Southern is ranked sixth in the Midwest region.

"They (the poll) can't deny a team with a 4-1 record," said Jon Lantz, head coach.

The only MIAA team currently ranked in the top 20 is Northwest, who began this week at No. 17. Pittsburg State dropped out of the poll after tying Missouri-Rolla 6-6.

Some of the Southern players do not put much emphasis on being ranked, however.

"We would rather be in a sleeper role than having people gunning for us," said Rod Smith, junior wide receiver.

The coaches, however, would like to be ranked.

"You have to be ranked in order to make the playoffs," Lantz said.

The Ichabods, 0-4, are coming off a 29-3 loss to Northwest Saturday. Dennis Caryl, Washburn head coach, said the game "was just like someone jumping in a lake with a 1,000-pound weight to drown. With 1:30 left in the half, we just drowned."

Despite the Ichabods' winless record, Lantz said they could present a problem.

"We will not be able to move the ball like we have the past four weeks," he said. "They have nothing to lose, and we have everything to lose."

Caryl said he has a great deal of respect for Southern.

"I would have to say right now that Southern is the best team in the MIAA," he said. "They have a great offense which people have had a hard time stopping."

"Marques Rodgers (sophomore tailback) is a great running back," Caryl added. "It's going to be a test to see if we can tackle him."

The Ichabods also are concerned



Lions vs. Washburn

7 p.m. Saturday
at Topeka, Kan.

with improving their own offense.

"We're not putting the ball into the end zone," said Washburn offensive coordinator Steve Walter. "If we can move the ball on offense we will be all right."

The Lions are coming off a 37-26 win at Missouri Western last Saturday. The score was not an indicator of the level of competitiveness, however, as the Lions scored on six of their first seven possessions. Southern established a 30-0 lead with 9:26 left to play in the second quarter.

The Lions got on the scoreboard just 53 seconds into the contest on a 48-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Matt Cook to senior wide receiver Heath Helsel.

Three possessions later, Cook connected with Smith on a 98-yard touchdown pass that broke three school records and tied a fourth. The pass set records for longest scoring pass, longest pass play, longest play from scrimmage, and tied the team record for longest touchdown drive.

The Lion defense forced six turnovers, limiting the Griffons to minus-11 yards rushing in the first half and sacking quarterbacks Mark Ramstack and Joe Reid nine times. Junior defensive end Tony Hughes led the way with five sacks.

"Coach [Al] Cade just told me to relax and cut it loose, and I did," Hughes said. "I got a lot of support from the secondary and the other defensive linemen. The quarterback rolled out a lot, and he just rolled to my side more often."

"They just big-played us to death in the first half," said Stan McGarvey, Griffon head coach. "We are very displeased with our performance on defense."

'Bad luck' a factor in team's setbacks

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

After coming off their first winless week of the season, the soccer Lions will travel to Oklahoma City tomorrow for the Oklahoma Christian College Classic.

The Lions, 4-4-1, will face West Texas State and OCC. One of the matches will be played Saturday.

Scott Poertner, Southern head coach, said West Texas has beaten OCC earlier this season. He said OCC, an NAIA school, would give the Lions a run for their money, too.

"We played them last year," he said. "They should give us a very good game."

After returning from Oklahoma, the Lions must prepare for a road Tuesday trip to the University of Missouri-St. Louis, a team they have never beaten.

Poertner, however, believes this could be the year for a Southern victory over the Rivermen.

"Hopefully, if we play like we have in earlier weeks, we could win," he said. "It really depends on what Southern team shows up that day."

According to Poertner, UMSL does not have any visible flaws.

"They are very strong," he said, "all the way through their lineup."

The Lions experienced their first tie of the season Saturday, an 0-0 deadlock with Colorado Christian University.

"We beat them on every part of the field but the scoreboard," Poertner said. "We outshot them almost 40-9, but we couldn't get one to go in the net."

According to Poertner, the CCU goalkeeper was the difference in the contest.

"Their goalkeeper had the game of his life," Poertner said. "No matter where we shot the ball, he was there."

The Lions traveled to Siloam Springs, Ark., yesterday to face John Brown University. JBU, however, thwarted the Lions, 2-0.

"We dominated them in the first half," Poertner said. "We just did not follow through in the second half."

The Lions have played strong soccer in three of the last four halves, Poertner said, but the breaks do not seem to fall their way.

"We've had our opportunities again and again," he said. "You might say we have had some very bad luck."

The JBU contest was the start of a five-game road swing for the Lions. After the OCC tournament and UMSL, Southern will travel to Rockhurst College on Oct. 17.

Runners to go to Springfield

By NICK COBLE
STAFF WRITER

After taking a week to regroup, the Missouri Southern cross country team is preparing to go into the big battles, during upcoming conference and regional action.

"This week will be our peak mileage week," said Southern runner Joe Wood. "From here on, we'll be holding back and fine tuning."

With only two meets left before conference, Southern will travel to the Ozark Invitational at Southwest Missouri State University Saturday.

"Physically, we're in pretty good shape," said Coach Tom Rutledge. "I can promise this: we'll be more focused this Saturday."

The Ozark Invitational will be held next to the Springfield Regional

Airport. The women's meet begins at 10 a.m., followed by the men's 8-kilometer race.

Rutledge expects a medium-sized field of 10 to 11 teams, including a possible rematching with teams Southern suffered lost to during the Southern Stampede.

"We don't worry about who we compete against," he said. "We have our own standards we have to meet."

Southern was slated to travel to a meet in Edmond, Okla., last Saturday, but Rutledge thought the time would be better spent working on building a stronger mileage base before going into conference action.

"We're not injured or beat up, but we're going to make a push at conference and regionals," he said.

"We could have gone there and probably won, but to spend money just to win a meet is not our goal."

BACKHAND STRETCH



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Senior Melissa Woods stretches to make a backhand return during Saturday's match with Oral Roberts University. Woods lost her match to Nicole Ledger 6-3, 6-2, but the Lions triumphed over ORU 5-4.



STACY CAMPBELL

Coaches all put in long hours

Even though the coaches at Missouri Southern may not be the highest paid or receive the most benefits from their work, they work long and hard to ensure strong programs.

I talked to four coaches, and I believe all put in a tremendous amount of hours for their jobs.

The coaches should receive credit for the rise of the Southern athletic programs just as much as the athletes themselves. The athletes do the work and put up with the coaches, but after speaking with the coaches, I realize that they do more work over the course of a given year.

Many of the coaches seem to never get away from their jobs.

Robert Corn, men's basketball coach, said he was fortunate to have the family he has.

"My wife is an ex-coach and realizes the time demands, and often she and my son go with us," he said. "It helps to involve my family and having the family enjoy it."

Debbie Traywick, volleyball coach, said the long hours hurt her social life.

"Being single does not affect my life as much as if I had a family here," she said. "It does keep me from dating as much as I would like to, because often we are gone on Friday and Saturday nights."

Her immediate family helps by visiting her during the season.

"They understand that from Aug. 1 to Thanksgiving I don't get home at all," she said. "They have to come visit me here."

The hours coaches put in usually vary according to the time of the year, but often the season does not matter.

Tom Rutledge, cross country and track coach, said "basically the season never ends" for him.

"We go from cross country to indoor track and then to outdoor track," he said.

Jon Lantz, head football coach, said every day presents a different schedule.

"Usually from Monday to Thursday I am here from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., but on Fridays, it's 7:30 a.m. to around 8 p.m.," he said. "Saturdays, like this past one against Western, went from 8 a.m. to 3:30 a.m. Sunday morning when we got back."

He said the time factor does not affect him as much with his family.

"When I am away recruiting is the main time it takes away from my family," he said.

Rutledge's schedule may be even longer than most coaches.

"My day starts at 6 a.m. and ends around 6 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, while Fridays I am here from 9 to 5," he said. "Saturdays I am either on the road to a meet or at home hosting a meet, and on Sundays we have practice from 6:30 a.m. to 8. I also spend about two to three hours in my office on Sundays."

Rutledge does much of his recruiting on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights for about one to two hours.

The time spent in a day on job-related activities (teaching, recruiting, and practicing) was, on the average, between 11 and 13 hours for the coaching staff.

My question: Why do these people put up with this? All said money was not a factor. Traywick said it was the opportunity to work with young athletes.

"I like the interaction with young people and the competitiveness of the sport," she said. "It is also a chance for me to have a positive impact on the lives of these young athletes."

Lantz cited the love of the sport for his motivating factor.

"This is one of the few jobs I would do for free," he said. "I love kids and helping others, and in coaching I get to do that."

Said Corn, "If you don't enjoy what you're doing you shouldn't be doing it, and I enjoy what I do."